United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit



APPELLANT'S APPENDIX

IN THE
UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS
FOR THE
SECOND CIRCUIT

NO. 74-1977

SELENE WEISE,

APPELLANT

VS

SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY, etc., et al.,

APPELLEES

APPEAL FROM THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTH-ERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

APPENDIX TO APPELLANT'S BRIEF



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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

SELENE WEISE, on behalf of herself and on behalf of all persons similarly situated,

Plaintiffs.

-VS-

73-CV-420

SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY, an educational corporate entity, DR. MELVIN EGGERS, Chancellor, DR. CLIFFORD L. WINTERS, Vice-Chancellor, DR. RAY IRWIN, DR. BEULAH ROHRLICH, and DR. PAUL RIED,

Defendants ...

NOTICE OF APPEAL TO THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE SECOND CIRCUIT FROM A MEMORANDUM—DECISION and ORDER OF THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Plaintiff, above-named, hereby appeals to the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit from the Memorandum-Decision and Order of the United States District Court for the Northern District of New York, the Honorable James T. Foley presiding, which Memorandum-Decision and Order granted the Defendants' Motion to Dismiss for lack of subject matter jurisdiction or for the failure to state a claim upon which relief can be granted and which dismissed the Plaintiff's Complaint accordingly. Furthermore, the Memorandum-Decision and Order granted the Defendants' request to deny class status to this action.

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The Memorandum-Decision and Order, so described, was handed down by Judge James T. Foley on June 10, 1974 and filed with the Clerk of the United States District Court for the Northern District of New York, accordingly.

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JAMES T. FOLEY, D. J.

MEMORANDUM-DECISION and ORDER

This case must be dealt with in terms of my recent reasoning and decision in Mortenson v. Syracuse University, N.D. N.Y., 73-CV-545, May 13, 1974 (unreported) because the similarity is remarkable, even to the point of raising the same legal issues, the parties being represented by the same counsel, and the same allegations being made against the same principal defendant, Syracuse University. In Mortenson the defendants' motion to dismiss the complaint was granted for lack of jurisdiction or for failure to state a claim upon which relief can be granted and the same result must follow for this case. For purposes of judicial efficiency and especially because legal counsel in both cases is the same, only the important or distinguishing issues need be discussed. Most of the relevant case law to the issues has been cited and analyzed in Mortenson and need not be peated here. The Mortenson reasoning pertinent here is incorporated by reference.

Plaintiff applied for the faculty position of "Lecturer" in the Department of Public Address at Syracuse University in 1969.

According to her complaint, a panel of three faculty members of the Department of Public Address, one of whom was Dr. Beulah Rohrlich, decided not to hire plaintiff. A decision was made to hire another person who was a male. In January 1970, plaintiff requested the position of "graduate teaching assistant" (a non-faculty position). This application was made to Dr. Beulah Rohrlich and was granted commencing in September 1970. In December 1970, plaintiff was notified that this position would terminate in June 1971 or at the end of that particular school year.

Plaintiff filed charges against Syracuse University et al. regarding the refusal to hire her for "Lecturer" with the New York State Division of Human Rights on June 24, 1970, and later added the termination of her graduate teaching assistantship to this charge. She also attempted redress from internal agencies of Syracuse University, but the result of these efforts is not clear in this submission. Charges were filed with the Equal Employment Opportunities Commission (EEOC) alleging discrimination on the basis of sex on May 8, 1972, and on June 28, 1973 a Notice of Right to Sue letter was issued by the Commission upon the request of plaintiff pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 2000e-5(f)(1). Plaintiff then commenced this action within 90 days after this issuance by filing her complaint on Sertember 17, 1973. A motion was filed by plaintiff for leave to proceed in forma pauperis but this was denied by Judge Port, and appeal to the Court of Appeals, Second Circuit, was made and denied by decision dated March 21, 1974. Judge Port, being a member of the Board of Visitors of the Syracuse College of Law, following an opinion of the Advisory Committee on Judicial Activities of the Judicial Conference of the United States, by letter to Clerk Joseph R. Scully, dated January 2, 1974, recused himself from further proceedings in the action.

Defendants have submitted two motions. The first, in a single

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motion, seeks to dismiss the complaint for lack of jurisdiction

the over the subject matter and person; for fallure to state a

claim upon which relief can be granted; and further, to strike certain allegations in the complaint and for determination that the

action should not proceed as a class action. The other motion,

seeking to stay discovery pending a decision on the other, is mooted
in light of the decision and order made herein granting the dismissal

of the action.

The plaintiff here, as in Mortenson, alleges jurisdiction under 28 U.S.C. § 1343, 42 U.S.C. §§ 1983 and 1985, Executive Orders 11246 (1965), 3 C.F.R. 1964-1965 Comp., p. 339, as amended by Executive Order 11375 (1967), 3 C.F.R. 1966-1970 Comp., p. 684, and 42 U.S.C. § 2000e et seq., seeking declaratory and injunctive relief as well as money damages.

Little can be added to my discussion of these statutes oth v than as made in Mortenson. Nothing alleged by the complaint or voluninous affidavits and memoranda of law support the conclusion that Syracuse University's decisions not to hire or to fire plaintiff in a faculty or other position were in any way controlled or even affected by the State of New York. In my judgment, there is no state action presented by this case and thus no jurisdiction pursuant to either 42 U.S.C. §§ 1983 or 1985. The sthat are asserted to constitute state involvement in the manner of the educational affairs of Syracuse University such as 64 pe economic aid, student scholarships from the state, state laws on education, incorporation, taxation, etc., and other factors similar in that they would apply to all private colleges in the state, simply do not add up to state action. Plaintiff concedes that these factors would apply to every private college (see Plaintiff's Affidavit of June 3, 1974 at p. 3) and thus it follows that the distinction between private and public colleges would become meaningless when considered for the determintion of jurisdiction under §§ 1983 and 1985. Such a contention as

I emphasized in Mortenson has been rejected by the Court of Appeals, cond Circuit. Powe v. Miles, 407 F. 2d 73, 80 (2d Cir., 1968); also Grafton v. Brooklyn Law School, 478 F. 2d 1137 (2d Cir. 1973).

The Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000e et seq.) does not provide, in my judgment, any jurisdiction for a suit based on the allegations made in the instant complaint. There is no question that prior to March 24, 1972, educational institutions simply were not covered by the Act but were specifically exempted. From my review, the latest arguable act by Syracuse University and the other defendants that is alleged to be discriminatory on the basis of sex is June 1971 which is the effective date of plaintiff's termination as a graduate teaching assistant. Action after that date, including those appeals to university organs, the New York Division of Human Rights, and the E.E.O.C. were initiated and performed solely by plaintiff to rectify these alleged wrongs; such course of conduct by the plaintiff certainly cannot be considered part of the alleged discrimination by defendants. See Hutchings v. U.S. Industries, Inc., 309 F. Supp. 691, 693 (E.D. Texas 1969), rev'd and remanded on other grounds, 428 F. 2d 303 (5th Cir. 1970).

Lastly, plaintiff argues vigorously that she is a proper representative of a class of women who have been discriminated against by Syracuse University and should thus be allowed to proceed with this action under the Civil Rights Act of 1964 to redress those complaints of class members that are fresh and subsequent to March 24, 1972. However, it seems to me this position is impossible to maintain. There was no statute as it later was enacted that conferred by its terms the right of plaintiff to be free from discrimination by an educational institution prior to March 24, 1972. She has not alleged that any discriminatory ret involving Syracuse University as far as she was concerned occurred after that date. Since she thus has no viable federal claim of her own, it would be impossible for her to even be a member of such a class of plaintiffs

ch less represent that class qualified to sue under this Act.

Hecht v. Cooperative for Amer. Relief Everywhere, Inc., 351 F. Supp.

305, 310 (S.D.N.Y. 1972); compare, Kohn v. Royall, Koegel & Wells,

59 F.R.D. 515 (S.D.N.Y. 1973), appeal dismissed, Slip Op. 3243

(2d Cir. 5/3/74).

There are other problems with this suit among which is the untimeliness of the filing of charges with the E.E.O.C. However, in light of the previous reasoning and discussion of this issue in Mortenson, there is no need to discuss it here, except to note the incorporation of that reasoning by reference. The Clerk of this Court is directed to place a copy of the Mortenson decision in the file of this action.

In conclusion, the defendants' motion to dismiss is granted for lack of jurisdiction and for failure to state a claim upon which relief can be granted. The other requests in that motion and in the separate motion of the defendants are denied and dismissed as moot. The complaint is dismissed.

It is so Ordered.

Dated: June 10, 1974

Albany, New York

UNATED STATES DISTRICT SUDGE

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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SELENE WEISE, on behalf of herself and on behalf of all persons similarly situated,

PLAINTIFFS

-VS-

COMPLAINT CLASS ACTION

SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY, an educational corporate entity, DR. MELVIN EGGERS, Chancellor, DR. CLIFFORD L. WINTERS, Vice-Chancellor, DR. RAY IRWIN, DR. BEULAH ROHRLICH, and DR. PAUL RIED,

DEFENDANTS

INTRODUCTORY STATEMENT

1. This is an action brought to redress the maintenance and perpetuation of a pattern and practice of discrimination against women, solely because of their sex, in the hiring of women to and the promotion of women in teaching positions on the faculty at Syracuse University, in contravention of the Fourteenth Amendment to the United States Constitution and the various acts of Congress which prohibit discrimination based on sex. The Plaintiff, a woman, prosecutes this action on behalf of herself and all other persons similarly situated and in this regard seeks declaratory, injunctive and monetary relief.

JURISDICTIONAL STATEMENT

2. Jurisdiction of this Court is invoked pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §1343 (1), (2), (3) and (4) in conjunction with 42 U.S.C. §§2000e et. seq., as amended, (Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964) 42 U.S.C. §§1983 and 1985, (the Civil Rights Act of 1871) the Fourteenth Amendment to the United States Constitution, and Executive Order 11246 (signed September 24, 1965, effective on October 24, 1965, 3 C.F.R. 339) as amended by Executive Order 11375 (signed October 13, 1967, effective in part on November 12, 1967 and in part on October 14, 1968), this being an action to redress the deprivation of the constitutional and civil rights of individuals because of discrimination based on sex. Jurisdiction is also invoked in conjunction with the Declaratory Judgment Act (28 U.S.C. §§2201 and 2202), this being an action for declaratory as well as in active and monetary relief.

PARTIES' :

- 3. Plaintiff, SELENE WEISE, is a female citizen of the United States presently living in Syracuse, New York; she has a M.A. in speech, and has completed all of her work toward a Ph.D. degree, save for her dissertation. She has a graduate record examination score of the 98th percentile, a cumulative grade point average of 3.85 on a 4 point scale, and 2½ years of teaching experience in the field of speech. She was and is a highly qualified individual for the faculty position of Lecturer in the Department of Public Address at Syracuse University with excellent recommendations on both her previous teaching and professional experience; and but for the fact that she is a woman, she would have otherwise been hired for said position.
- 4. Plaintiff Weise brings this action on behalf of herself and on behalf of all other women who, because of their sex, and solely because of their sex, have been, are being, and

will continue to be denied access to and promotions in faculty positions at Syracuse University in contravention of the United States Constitution and the various acts of Congress which prohibit discrimination based on sex.

- 5. The necessary requisites of a proper class action are present, to wit: Plaintiff brings this action as a class action pursuant to Rule 23 (a) and (b) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure on their own behalf and on behalf of all persons similarly situated. As to the class as set forth herein (1) they are so numerous that joinder of all its members is impracticable; (2) there are questions of law and fact common to the class and its members; (3) the claims of the Plaintiff are typical of the claims of class and its members; (4) the Plaintiff will fairly and adequately protect the interest of the class and its members; (5) the Defendants acted or refused to act on grounds generally applicable to the class and its members, thus making appropriate final injunctive relief with respect to the class as a whole; (6) questions of law and fact common to the members of the class predominate over any questions affecting wily the individual members, and a class action is superior to the available methods for the fair and efficient adjudication of this suit.
- 6. Defendant, SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY, is a private institution of higher education which is subdivided into various academic colleges and departments therein. While it is private in nature, it receives significant sums of money to carry out its programs from the State of New York, and its departments and subdivisions, and the government of the United States; and it receives significant sums of money from the afore-mentioned governmental entities and their departments and subdivisions for services provided by the Defendant University to them. A substantial sum of such monies goes toward providing tuition rayments of students attend-

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ing said University, its colleges and departments; and the salaries or parts thereof, of faculty members teaching at said University, its colleges and departments.

- 7. Defendant, DR. MELVIN EGGERS, is the Chancellor of Syracuse University and is the Chief Administrative Officer thereof. Among other things, he is responsible for carrying out the policies of the University as they are formulated by its Board of Trustees, including those policies related to the hiring, firing and promotion of faculty personnel. In so doing he has the ultimate responsibility to assure that the hiring, firing and promotion of faculty personnel are done on a racially and sexually non-discriminatory basis; and, in fact, he has the ultimate responsibility to assure that the University's Affirmative Action Program and its goals, designed to increase the number of racial minority and female persons on the faculty of the University, are being implemented and met.
- 8. Defendant, DR. CLIFFORD WINTERS, is Vice-Chancellor of Syracuse University and Chairman of the Affirmative Action Committee of said University. Among other things, he is responsible for assisting the Chancellor of Syracuse University in carrying out the policies of the University as they are formulated by its Board of Trustees, and particularly those policies related to the University's Affirmative Action Program and goals, which Program and goals are designed to increase the number of racial minority and female persons on the faculty of the University.
- 9. Defendant, DR. RAY IRWIN, is Chairman of the Department of Speech Communication in the College of Visual and Performing Arts, Syracuse University, and is former Dean of the School of Speech and Dramatic Arts (now no longer in existence having been split up among several other schools and colleges). In those capacities he was and is responsible for assisting the Chancellor and Vice-Chancellor of Syracuse University and other

subordinate officials thereof in the implementation of the University's Affirmative Action Program and the attainment of its goals insofar as the particular Department of Speech Communication and the College of Visual and Performing Arts, Syracuse University (and their predecessor entities) are concerned.

- man of the Department of Public Address in the School of Speech and Dramatic Arts, Syracuse University. She is now an Assistant Professor in the Department of Speech Communication, College of Visual and Performing Arts, Syracuse University. As such, she was responsible for assisting the Chancellor and Vice-Chancellor of Syracuse University and other subordinate officials thereof in the implementation of the University's Affirmative Action Program and the attainment of its goals of increased minority and female representation on the University's faculty.
 - the Department of Speech Education in the School of Speech and
 Dramatic Arts, Syracuse University, and is presently the head of
 the Areas of Public Address and Speech Education in the Department;
 of Speech Communication, College of Visual and Performing Arts,
 Syracuse University. As such, he was and is responsible for
 assisting the Chancellor and Vice-Chancellor of Syracuse University and other subordinate officials thereof in the implementation of the University's Affirmative Action Program and the attainment of its goals of increased minority and female representation
 on the University's faculty.

ALLEGATIONS

12. In 1969, Plaintiff applied for the faculty position of Lecturer in the Department of Public Address, Syracuse University.

- 13. On September 3, 1969, a meeting was held at Defendant Irwin's house between himself, Defendant Rohrlich and Mr. Paul McKee, Lecturer in the Department of Public Address, Syracuse University; and it was decided thereat that Plaintiff Weise should not be hired for the post of Lecturer in the Department of Public Address.
- 14. Explicitly excluded from the meeting was the then Chairman, Dr. Charles Smith, who had advocated the hiring of the Plaintiff to the faculty of said University as a Lecturer in the Department of Public Address, and Mr. Ronald Burke, an instructor in said Department who, together, comprised one-half (1/2) of the four (4) member faculty of the Department.
- 15. As a consequence of the afore-described meeting, Dr. Smith immediately resigned his position as Chairman of the Department of Public Address based on his belief that, since he was not allowed to hire the most professionally qualified candidate for the faculty position, he could not chair the Department appropriately. Defendant Rohrlich was then appointed Chairman of said Department in place of Dr. Smith.
- Lecturer in the Department of Public Address was given to Mr.

 Anthony Cusmano, a male and first-year master's candidate in speech, with neither a B.A. nor a M.A. degree, but a law degree from New York Law School, a school not recognized at that time by the American Association of Law Schools. Mr. Cusmano had not passed the New York Bar Examination nor had he had any previous teaching experience or academic work in the field of speech. Mr. Cusmano was not voted upon by the entire Department, as is the customary practice when filling a faculty position in a particular school and/or department in the University community.

- 16a. Because of the unorthodox manner of decision-making, Plaintiff Weise was deprived of a full departmental decision, which is customary, and the opportunity for an interview to present her credientials and defend her candidacy, both of which are normally accorded in the application process and procedure.
- 17. Plaintiff Weise, a woman, was not hired for the position of Lecturer in the Department of Public Address at Defendant Syracuse University, notwithstanding that her qualifications were vastly superior to those of the male individual who was hired to fill that position.
- 18. The Plaintiff's qualifications, at that time, were a B.A. and M.A. in speech, a cumulative grade-point average of 3.85 on a 4.00 point scale, a graduate record examination score of the 98th percentile, I year of teaching speech at Indiana University excellent recommendations on both her teaching previous professional experience, acceptance into the Humanities Doctoral program and an accumulation of 57 credit hours toward her doctoral degree.
- 19. Plaintiff Weise, a woman, was not hired for the position of Lecturer in the Department of Public Address at the Defendant Syracuse University, notwithstanding the existence of Executive Order 11246, as amended by Executive Order 11375, which required the DefendantUniversity, as a government contractor, to undertake affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed and treated equally, without regard to race, color, religion, or sex; and to undertake affirmative action to increase its minority and female faculty personnel. Upon information and belief, the Defendant University is subject to the afore-stated facultive Orders inasmuch as the federal government funnels substantial monies into the Defendant University for services provided to the federal government by the University; and the University is required to comply with the provisions contained therein as a condition to the continued receipt of such monies.

- 20. Plaintiff Weise, a woman, was not hired for the position of Lecturer in the Department of Public Address at the Defendant University notwithstanding the existence of Executive Order 11246, as amended by Executive Order 11375. In that regard the Defendant University has adopted and submitted to the federal government an Affirmative Action Program designed to increase the number of women and minority persons on its faculty. Said Affirmative Action Program has not been implemented in good faith nor its goals even remotely attained; nor has it been accepted by the federal government although the University ostensibly operates under it. Said Affirmative Action Program is merely a paper document drawn up to satisfy the conditions required of the Defendant University to receive federal monies and nothing more. Illustrative of this point is that, while there has been a recent general staff reduction in the Defendant University of, upon information and belief, 15.4 percent, nineteen (19) percent of the female staff was reduced. Furthermore, the absolute numbers of women declined in every division of the Defendant University, even those classifications of employees that enjoyed an appreciating workforce.
 - criminatory policies is that, upon information and belief, in the three classifications for which comparative rank exists, i.e., faculty, clerical /technical and hourly women are clustered at the bottom of each class. In 1972, 74.8 percent of all women employees were in the clerical/technical and hourly wage categories while only 40.8 percent of all male employees were in those categories. In a declining work-force women are in the most menial jobs, at the bottom of the wage-scale and they are sustaining the bulk of all terminations. In that regard, the rate of reduction of the male faculty, upon information and belief, is only 4.3 percent-less than one-half the rate of decline for women.

22. Plaintiff was advised thereafter by Dr. Smith that the decision not to hire her was based on her place of residence. The Plaintiff and her grown son, who was a freshman at the University at that time, resided during the period that she was earning her master's degree at Dr. Smith's house. During that same period of time, Mr. David Samson, also a graduate student in Speech resided in Dr. Smith's house. At most times as many as five or six people were in the house, including the Plaintiff's other two sons, her husband, her mother, and Dr. Smith's three grown children, as well as assorted other graduate students. Mr. Cornell B. Blanding, currently employed in the Department of Speech Communication as an instructor, shar d an apartment with Dr. Smith and traveled widely abroad with aim during the period of time that he was a graduate student; and it was during the period that Dr. Smith was chairman that Mr. Blanding was hired as an instructor. No questions have ever been raised about the living arrangements of male applicants for faculty positions, nor has anyone reprimanded Dr. Smith.

22a. While Plaintiff Weise was advised of the aforementioned reason for her rejection, she submits that such reason is really only a camouflage for and a manifestation of the fact that she is a woman; and that that is the reason for her rejection by the Defendant parties.

23. The Defendants employ different standards in evaluating the applications of women and men for positions on the faculty at Syracuse University which standards are intended to and have the effect of foreclosing women from securing positions and promotions on the faculty of said University in violation of Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 as amended (42 U.S.C. §§2000(e) et. seq.) and the Civil Rights Act of 1871 (41 U.S.C. §1983), the Fourteenth Amendment to the United States Constitution and Exergative Order 11246, as amended by Executive Order 11375; and which

were intended to and had the effect of foreclosing the named Plaintiff herein from securing the position of Lecturer on the faculty at the Defendant University in violation of the aforestated constitutional and statutory provisions.

- 24. The Defendants' standards of evaluation of applications for the faculty at Syracuse University have the disparate and discriminatory effect of eliminating women applicants from consideration and foreclosing them from securing positions and promotions on the faculty at said University in violation of Title VII of the Civil Rights of 1964 as amended (42 U.S.C. §§2000(e) et. seq.) and the Civil Rights Act of 1871 (42 U.S.C. §1983), the Fourteenth Amendment to the United States Constitution and Executive Order 11246, as amended by Executive Order 11375; and have had such discriminatory effect on the named Plaintiff herein in violation of the afore-stated constitutional and statutory provisions.
- dant Rohrlich put her folder into consideration for a Teaching 'Assistantship for the year 1970-1971. This was done and in a departmental meeting on March 19, 1970, it was unanimously voted to give the Plaintiff an assistantship. Plaintiff accepted the post by letter and started her duties in September, 1970.
- 26. Thereafter, on June 24, 1,70, Plaintiff filed charges with the New York State Division of Human Rights relative to the Defendant University's refusal to hire her for the position of Lecturer, as heretofore described.
- 27. After investigation, a finding of Probable Cause was handed down and the case went to public hearing on December 7, 1970. On the 14th of December, 1970, Plaintiff received a letter from Defendant Rohrlich terminating her appointment for the following year. As a result of the termination letter, Plaintiff filed two charges of retaliation against certain of the above named individuals. One charged them with terminating Plaintiff in

retaliation for having filed the first charge. The second charged them with planting an individual in Plaintiff's class, a young woman, Ms. Wendy Harris, to evaluate and compare Plaintiff to Defendant Rohrlich. Probable Cause was found in these two charges, and they went to public hearing and were heard at the end of the hearing on the main charge. In the meantime, the Department Chairman, Dr. Rohrlich, had taken one of the two sections of the graduate level course Plaintiff had been teaching and had given it to Wendy Harris, the same young woman who had been sitting in on the Plaintiff's class and who, at that time, was a first year master's candidate.

- Employment Opportunity Commission alleging that she had been denied a position on the Defendant University faculty solely because of her sex; said EEOC deferred its investigation to the state body and thereafter on June 28, 1973, issued a "Notice of Right to Sue Within 90 Days" letter to the Plaintiff.
- 29. The Defendant University has a policy which effective—
 ly forecloses women from securing teaching positions and promotions
 on its faculty which are used to prepare individuals for doctorate
 degrees.
- 30. In that regard, in the spring of 1971, Mr. Paul McKee upon the completion of his Ph.D., left his post as Lecturer in the Department of Public Address at the Defendant University.
- 31. Upon information and belief the Defendant University and the individually named Defendants were expected to make every effort to fill the vacancy with a woman in accordance with their adopted Affirmative Action Program.
- 32. However, the Defendants changed the classification of the vacant position from that of Lecturer to Assistant Professor, a post which required, as all academic professorial posts in universities do require, a Doctor of Philosophy Degree.

- 33. By their actions the Defendants eliminated the possibility of having to fill one of the training posts with a woman, thereby effectively foreclosing women from access to faculty positions at the Defendant University; which are preparatory to positions of attaining doctoral degrees, and effectively and ultimately foreclosing women from professorial positions on the faculty of the Defendant University for which doctoral degrees are a pre-requisite.
- 34. The percentage of Ph.D.'s awarded to women in the academic field of speech, in the United States, is 14%, a drop from the 53% who are awarded Master's degrees in speech.
- 35. As a consequence of the Plaintiff's inability to secure and maintain a teaching position on the faculty of Syracuse University, she left her residence in Syracuse, New York; went to Washington; D.C. and obtained a part-time job as an aide to the late William F. Ryan, United States Representative from the 20th Congressional District, New York City, while working part-time on her dissertation.
- 36. In August, 1972, Plaintiff returned to Syracuse, New York and wrote a letter to August Freundlich, Dean of the College of Visual and Performing Arts (comprised of, among others, four departments of the former School of Speech and Dramatic Arts). The Plaintiff advised Dean Freundlich that she had returned to Syracuse and was ready, willing and able to assume any teaching position on the faculty of his college at the Defendant University. Dean Freundlich indicated to the Plaintiff that he would keep the Plaintiff in mind when considering appointments to the faculty.
- 37. On January 28, 1973, the Plaintiff wrote to Doctor Ray Irwin and advised him that she would still be a student at the University in 1973-74, working toward completion of her Ph.D. requirements. Plaintiff advised Doctor Irwin, further, that she desired to be considered for any teaching position on the faculty,

including a teaching assistantship, and that she wanted her application to note the same and be filed with all of the other application folders being considered as that time.

- 38. A teaching assistantship, while not a regular fulltime faculty position, is an apprenticeship training position which is a valuable pre-requisite for obtaining the former.
- 39. Plaintiff received no formal acknowledgement of her request to Doctor Irwin, notwithstanding the formality of her request for consideration.
- 40. Upon information and belief, the Plaintiff's application folder was not considered for any faculty position in said College at Defendant University notwithstanding her substantial qualification for such position.
- 41. Thereafter, Plaintiff made an appointment to see

 Doctor Irwin and thereat asked him if he had received the aforementioned letter in which she had requested that he consider her
 application folder for any position on the faculty.
- 42. Doctor Irwin indicated that he had received the same; but when the Plaintiff asked him if she had been considered for a position on the faculty he indicated he had nothing more to say to the Plaintiff on that or any other subject. He did conclude that he had shown her letter to Doctor Paul Ried.
- 43. Thereafter, Plaintiff sought out Doctor Ried and indicated to him what Doctor Irwin had stated, as heretofore described.
- 44. At that time, Plaintiff was advised by Doctor Ried that he and Doctor Irwin had decided not to grant any teaching assistantships to any doctoral candidates; and first-year master's candidates were being given priority.
- 45. Upon information and belief, Plaintiff is the only person affected by the afore-mentioned policy gainst doctoral students holding teaching assistantships.

46. In that regard, at least two men hired at the time the Plaintiff was terminated from her teaching assistantship, were doctoral candidates; and, at the time the Plaintiff was denied consideration for a teaching assistantship because of her doctoral candidacy as heretofore described, one of those men had his teaching assistantship renewed, notwithstanding his doctoral candidacy.

47. Upon information and belief, the master's candidates priority was not a departmental policy decision but one arrived at by Doctors Irwin and Ried.

- 48. As a consequence of the aforementioned, Plaintiff filed another complaint with the New York State Division of Human Rights; probable cause was found.
- 49. The Plaintiff was denied <u>consideration</u> for teaching positions at the Defendant University in 1973 because of a non-job related priority which was arbitrarily set and which is arbitrary in substance, to wit: a priority to master's candidates rather than doctoral candidates.
- 50. The Plaintiff was arbitrarily denied a teaching position in the College of Visual and Performing Arts at Defendant University in 1973, as described heretofore, because she is a woman; and the intent and effect of imposing the afore-stated priority was to deny to the Plaintiff a position on the faculty at the Defendant University, solely because she is a woman and in retaliation for the fact that she had filed state administrative actions against the Defendant University and individuals employed thereby because of alleged sex discrimination in employment against women, by said University.
- 51. The Defendant University, while ostensibly a private institution of higher learning, receives, upon information and belief, substantial monies and other benefits from the federal and state government so as to place it in such an inter-relationship

with the state and federal government to make it a quasi-public institution. Upon information and belief, without those monies the Defendant University would be unable to operate efficiently and continuously and with all of its programs, activities and services, as a "private" institution. In that regard, the Defendant University receives substantial sums of "Bundy money" from the State of New York for each degree it awards, with the sum of money being ascertained by the nature of the degree.

- 52. Upon information and belief, as one of the conditions to receiving the substantial federal funds which it is receiving for its programs, services, and activities; the Defendant University drew up an Affirmative Action Program to increase, among other things, its minority and female faculty representation.
- through the New York State Board of Regents and the Office of the State Commissioner of Education, regulate and supervise public and private education throughout the State, including institutions of higher education and specifically that of the Defendant University. Among other things, the State certifies private schools and sets appropriate minmum standards for their operation. As such the State has a substantial inter-relationship with private educational institutions in the State, such that those institutions would be unable to operate within the State of New York without that inter-relationship.
- 54. Plaintiff submits that the actions taken against her, as heretofore described, in refusing to hire her to the faculty position of Lecturer in the Department of Public Address at the Defendant University or to any faculty position in the College of Visual and Performing Arts at the Defendant University and the acts taken and otherwise related thereto, were taken against her by the Defendant parties solely because of her sex; and were arbitrary,

capricious and sexually discriminatory and without objective and rational reason; accordingly, the Defendant parties did discriminate against the Plaintiff in violation of Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 as amended (42 U.S.C. §§2000(e) et.seq.), and 42 U.S.C. §1983 (the Civil Rights Act of 1871), the Fourteenth Amendment to the United States Constitution, and Executive Order 11246, as amended by Executive Order 11375.

- 55. Plaintiff submits that the actions taken against her, as heretofore described, in refusing to hire her to the faculty position of Lecturer in the Department of Public Address at the Defendant University or to any faculty position in the College of Visual and Performing Arts at the Defendant University, and the acts taken and otherwise related thereto, were effected by the parties collectively and in concert to deprive the Plaintiff of her statutory, civil and constitution rights, because she is a woman in violation of Title .II of the 1964 Civil Rights Act as amended (42 U.S.C. §§2000(e) et. seq.) the C(vil Rights Act of 1871 (42 U.S.C. §§ 1983 and 1985), the fourteenth Amendment to the United States Constitution, and Executive Order 11246, as amended by Executive Order 11375.
- 56. Plaintiff submits that the actions of the Defendant parties, as heretofore described, reinforce an existing pattern of discrimination by the Defendant University against women because of their sex in securing faculty positions and promotions therein with said University in violation of Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. §§2000(e) et. seq.), and the Civil Rights Act of 1871 (42 U.S.C. §1983), the Fourteenth Amendment to the United States Constitution and Executive Order 11246, as amended by Executive Order 11375; and the Plaintiff further submits that the actions of the Defendant parties, as heretofore described, are counter productive to and subvert the Affirmative Action Program and goals of the Defendant University relative to increasing the number of women and minority persons on the

57. Plaintiff has exhausted all available administrative remedies; and any further administrative recourse is futile and attendant with such delay to make the same unreasonable.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff respectfully prays that this Court assume jurisdiction of this matter, order a speedy trial on the merits thereof and:

- (a) Declare the actions of the Defendants to be in violation of the Plaintiff's rights as guaranteed under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of P964 as amended (42 U.S.C. §§2000(e) et. seq.). the Civil Rights Act of 1871 (42 U.S.C. §§1983 and 1985), the Fourteenth Amendment to the United States Constitution and Executive Order 11246, as amended by Executive Order 11375.
- which discriminate against women, solely because of their sex, in securing faculty positions and promotions at the Defendant University; and directing them to take positive and complete actions to implement an affirmative program to increase by 25% the number of women in faculty positions at the Defendant University, including but not limited to drawing up and implementing objective evaluation criteria of applicants for faculty positions and promotions.
- (c) Direct the Defendants to appoint the Plaintiff to
 the position of Lecturer in the Department of Speech Communication
 in the College of Visual and Performing Arts, at Syracuse
 University forthwith, with back pay and all increments and benefits attendant thereto, including but not limited to dependents!
 benefits and tenure.

- (d) Award actual and punitive damages in the amount of \$100,000.00.
 - (e) Award costs and attorneys fees.
- (f) Direct such other and further relief as is necessary for a complete and just resolution of this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

James J. meyerson

SELENE WEISE 301 Salt Springs Road Syracuse, New York 13224 For Herself

JAMES I. MEYERSON 1790 Broadway 10th Floor New York, New York 10019 (212) 245-2100

Attorney for Plaintiff

VERIFICATION

SELENE WEISE, the Plaintiff in the foregoing action, being first duly sworn, deposes and says:

- 1. I am the Plaintiff in the foregoing action.
- 2. I have read the foregoing complaint and understand its contents.
- 3. The facts contained therein are true except for those things stated upon information and belief and as to those things stated on information and belief, I believe the same to be true.
- 4. I shall represent the class of persons alleged to be adversely affected by the actions and policies complained of herein to the best of my ability and I shall not compromise the members' interests for my interests, the interests being substantially the same.

SELENE WEISE

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

CIVIL NO. 73 CV 420

SELENE WEISE, et al.,

PLAINTIFFS

-VS-

SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY, etc., et al.,

DEFENDANTS

AFFIDAVIT IN OPPOSITION TO DEFENDANTS! MOTION TO DISMISS

AFFIDAVIT

COUNTY OF ONONDAGA) SS.:

Selene Weise, being first duly sworn, deposes and says:

- I. I am the individually named Plaintiff in the above-captioned legal action and I purport to represent not only myself but all women who have been, are, or may be victims of the Defendant University's alleged arbitrary, capricious and sexually discriminatory employment policies and practices.
- 2. This action was commenced on Monday, September 17, 1973, with the filing of the Complaint with the clerk of the United States District Court for the Northern District of New York; and it was served upon the Defendant parties on Thursday, September 27, 1973, by an agent of the Office of the United States Marshal for the Northern District of New York.
- 3. The action is brought to redress the maintenance and perpetuation of a pattern and practice of discrimination against

women, soley because of their sex, in the hiring of women to and the promotion of women in teaching positions on the faculty at Syracuse University, in contravention of the Fourteenth Amendment to the United States Constitution and the various acts of Congress which prohibit discrimination based on sex, to wit: 42 U.S.C. §§2000e, et. seq., as amended (Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964).

- 4. I commenced this action pursuant to a "Notice of Right to Sue" letter sent to me on June 28, 1973 and issued by the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, Buffalo, New York, Lloyd G. Bell, District Director. See: Exhibit "A", attached hereto and made a part hereof.
- 5. In order to fully understand what substantive allegations in the Complaint fall within this Court's jurisdiction under Title VII of the 1964 Civil Rights Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§2000e, et. seq.), as such jurisdiction is conferred upon this Court pursuant to the "Notice of Right to Sue" letter which was issued by the Equal Employment Opportunity on June 28, 1973, it is necessary to set forth herein the rather detailed course of action which I pursued in both the state and federal administrative agencies before the aforementioned "Notice of Right to Sue" letter was issued. An understanding of the detailed course of action which I followed will lead to the inescapable conclusion that all of the allegations which I set forth in the Complaint, herein, as well as all of the Defendant parties named therein, were meant to be and, in fact, are incorporated in and subject to the June 28, 1973 "Notice of Right to Sue" letter from the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.

- 6. On September 4, 1969, I was informed by Doctor Charles D. Smith, Chairman of the Department of Public Address, School of Speech and Dramatic Arts, Syracuse University, that I would not be hired for the faculty position of Lecturer, in said Department and School at said University, a position for which I was and still am eminently qualified and for which I had submitted an appropriate application. As a consequence of my failure to receive said faculty appointment and on the very same day that I was notified of the same, Doctor Smith resigned his Chairmanship of the Department of Public Speech.
- 7. During December, 1969, I contacted, in person, Professor George Alexander, then of the Syracuse University College of Law, who was President of the Syracuse University Chapter of the American Association of University Professors (AAUP). I had an interview in his office. I told him the story of the University's refusal to hire me to the faculty position of Lecturer in the Department of Public Speech, School of Speech and Dramatic Arts; and he indicated that the AAUP would investigate the case.
- 8. In approximately February, 1970, I was advised by telephone that the Syracuse University Chapter of the AAUP did not find any violation of academic freedom in my case and that, accordingly, it would not take an active role in my case.
- 9. In the spring of 1970, I took my complaint to the Graduate Student Organization (GSO) at Syracuse University. On May 5, 1970, the Executive Committee of the GSO met in extraordinary session to review my case. See: Exhibit "B" attached hereto and made a part hereof, which sets forth the GSO's findings and the motions it forwarded to the Syracuse University Senate for its consideration.

- 10. The Syracuse University Senate did not act upon the aforementioned motions until December, 1970.
- 11. As a consequence of the delay incurred and the inaction I had received with respect to my grievance, I decided to file a complaint with the New York State Division of Human Rights, an agency of the Executive Department of the State of New York.
- 12. On June 25, 1970, I filed a complaint with the New York State Division of Human Rights. See: Exhibit "C" attached hereto and made a part hereof.
- 13. The Complaint named Syracuse University, Ray Irwin and Clifford Winters as Respondents. See: Exhibit "C", infra.
- 14. On September 17, 1970, a Determination after Investigation showed that the Division did have jurisdiction and that there was probable cause to believe that the Respondents had engaged in an unlawful practice. The case was ordered to public hearing. See: Exhibit "D" attached hereto and made part hereof. During the interval between filing and determination, I had requested two delays from Mr. Hoffman, Director, in order to attempt further to conciliate the case. This came to naught.

The public hearing before the State Division of Human Rights began on December 7, 1970.

- 15. On the 14th of December, 1970, I was terminated from my position as a Teaching Assistant at Syracuse University, effective June 1971.
- 16. On December 16, 1970, I filed a charge of retaliation with the State Division of Human Rights and against Syracuse University, Doctor Beulah Rohrlich, Doctor Ray Irwin and Clifford L. Winters. See: Exhibit "E" attached hereto and made part hereof.

17. Probable cause was found on this complaint, and it was sent to public hearing. It was heard concurrently with the original charge then still in hearing. See: Exhibit "F" attached hereto and made part hereof.

18. On March 30, 1971, in the course of public hearing on the Retaliation charge, Ms. Adele Graham, an attorney with the State Division of Human Rights, moved to amend the retaliation complaint to include further retaliation. This brought the complaint up to that same day. See: Exhibit "G" attached hereto and made part hereof which is page 1211 of the transcript of the State Division Proceedings.

19. On May 21, 1971, the public hearing in the State Division of Human Rights ended.

20. On December 1, 1971, I filed another complaint charging further retaliation on the matter of medical parking. This was dismissed with a no probable cause ruling on May 16, 1972. See: Exhibits "H" and "I" attached hereto and made part hereof. The Respondents in the aforementioned Complaint were Syracuse University and Melvin A. Eggers.

21. On April 21, 1972, I received an Order from the State Division of Human Rights dismissing my initial Complaint thereto (See: Exhibit "C", infra) and the subsequent Complaint of Retaliation (See: Exhibit "E", infra) and the Retaliation Amendment thereto (See: Exhibit "G", infra). See: Exhibit "J" attached hereto and made part hereof.

22. On May 1, 1972, I filed a Notice of Appeal from the Order of the State Division dismissing the aforementioned.

See: Exhibit "K" attached hereto and made part hereof.

23. Between the dates of April 21, 1972 and May 1, 1972, I phoned the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission Office in Washington and talked to Ms. Robbie Romberg. I asked her if I

could file a complaint with the EEOC under the newly enacted amendment, and, if so, whether I could file such a complaint with the EEOC and appeal the state decision simultaneously. She assured me that I could. I also asked ther if I could include all of the charges which I had made initially in June, 1970 and subsequent thereto in December, 1970, March, 1971, and December, 1971. She assured me that I could, and should, include everything up to the date on which I spoke to her.

- 24. As a result of the aforementioned telephone call to Ms. Romberg, in Washington, and a subsequent telephone call to the Regional Office of the EEOC, in New York City, in which I received assurances about the information I had received from Ms. Romberg, I filed a complaint with the Regional Office of the EEOC, in New York City, against Syracuse University and others, including Doctor Ray Irwin, Doctor Beulah Rohrlich and Doctor Clifford Winters. See: Exhibit *L" attached hereto and made part hereof.
- 25. The Complaint, as pointed out in my cover letter thereto, was meant to consolidate all of the several charges which I
 made in the New York State Division of Human Rights Initially,
 in June, 1970, and subsequent thereto (all of which are set
 forth heretofore).
- 26. On May 12, 1972, I received a letter from the Regional Office of the EEOC, in New York City, acknowledging receipt of my Complaint and cover letter thereto; and assigning the number TNY 1126 to my Complaint. See: Exhibit "M" attached hereto and made part hereof.
- 27. Thereafter and in response to a request from the Regional Office of the EEOC, in New York City, I forwarded to said office materials supporting my Complaint particularly, and the situation at Syracuse University, generally. See:

Exhibit "N" attached hereto and made part hereof which acknowledges my request to the EEOC Office in New York City for the return of the aforementioned materials.

- 28. A hearing on my appeal to the Appeal Board of the New York State Division of Human Rights, from the adverse ruling heretofore described, was scheduled for June 22, 1972 and subsequently rescheduled and heard on October 19, 1972. See: Exhibit "O", "P", "Q" attached hereto and made part hereof.
- 29. On the 26th of February, 1973, I filed another Complaint with the New York State Division of Human Rights, charging both discrimination because of sex and retaliation. See: Exhibit "R" attached hereto and made part hereof.
- 30. On April 25, 1973, I received a determination on the aforementioned matter of probable cause, and it was sent to public hearing. See: Exhibit "S" attached hereto and made part hereof.
- 31. On June 1, 1973, after having written to the Appeal Board of the New York State Division of Human Rights and receiving a response thereto (See: Exhibits "T" and "U" attached hereto and made part hereof), I received a letter from the Appeal Board of the New York State Division of Human Rights dismissing my appeal (See: Exhibit "V" attached hereto and made part hereof).
- 32. Just prior to receiving the aforementioned notice dismissal of my appeal to the Appeal Board of the New York State Division of Human Rights, I wrote a letter to the Regional Office of the EEOC, in New York City, advising it that I had heard nothing from it since I had filed my Complaint with it in May, 1972, just over one (1) year prior thereto (See: Exhibit "W" attached hereto and made part hereof). I advised said Office that I desired to up date my EEOC Complaint, numbered TNY 2-1126 and attached a copy of my February, 1973 Complaint which I had filed theretofore with the New York State Division of Human Rights (See: Exhibit "R", infra).

33. On June 12, 1973, I received a letter from the EEOC Regional Office, in Buffalo, and was advised that the case had been transferred from the New York City Office to the Buffalo Office and that the number of my Complaint had been changed from TNY2 1126 to TBU3 0097. I complied with the request to fill out and have notarized the form enclosed with the letter. See: Exhibit "X" attached hereto and made part hereof.

34. In reply to my inquiry, the EEOC Regional Office in Buffalo, specifically stated to me, in its letter of June 12, 1973 (Exhibit "X", infra) that:

You question your right to proceed in Federal District Court. Section 706 (f)(1) and the Commission's Regulations provided that at any time after the expiration of 180 days from the filing of a charge, an aggrieved person may demand in writing that the Commission issue a Notice of Right To Sue. If you request that EEOC issue such Notice, please be advised that such Notice will apply only to your early charge with us, TBU3 0097 (formerly INY2 1126).

35. On June 22, 1973, Langston McKinney, Esq., a staff attorney with the Onondaga Neighborhood Legal Services, Inc., wrote a letter to Ms. Banks at the EEOC Regional Office, in Buffalo, requesting that a "Notice of a Right to Sue" letter be issued based on my original charge, as amended, the original charge initially being numbered TNY2 1126 and subsequently numbered TBU3 0097 when it was transferred to the Buffalo Regional Office from the New York City Regional Office. Furthermore, it is apparent from the substance of Mr. McKinney's letter original that Ms. Weise's amendment to her/Complaint, while given a separate number (TBU3 0549) had been consolidated with her original Complaint (TBU3 0097). See: Exhibit "Y" attached hereto and made part hereof.

36. On June 29, 1973, the United States Equal Employment Opportunity Commission,: through its Regional Office in Buffalo, issued a "Notice of a Right to Sue" letter to Ms. Selene Weise,

under cover a letter to Mr. McKinney. See: Exhibit "Z" attached hereto and made part hereof. In the letter, Mr. Lloyd G. Bell, District Director of the EEOC Regional Office, in Buffalo, specifically advised Mr. McKinney to disregard charge number TBU3 0549 which had been assigned to her retaliation charge of May, 1973. Said retaliation charge number was assigned the original charge number, to wit: TBU3 0097.

- 37. In view of the foregoing it is evident that the "Notice of the Right to Sue" letter issued by the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission Regional Office, in Buffalo to me, in June, 1973, encompassed within its purview and was based upon the Complaint I filed with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission Regional Office, in New York, in May, 1972 (which was numbered TNY2-1126) and my amendment thereto, which was filed with the New York Regional Office of the EEOC on May 28, 1973, and which, thereafter, was transferred to the Buffalo Regional Office of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission along with my original complaint. In the Buffalo Office, the original Complaint was re-numbered from TNY2-1126 to read TBU3 0097; the amended Complaint was numbered to read TBU3 0549; and thereafter both the original and amended Complaints were consolidated and incorporated under the number TBU3 0097, pursuant to which the "Notice of Right To Sue" letter was issued.
- 38. All of the allegations incorporated in my EEOC Complaints were specifically alleged in either my initial Complaint to the New York State Division of Human Rights or a subsequent complaint or amendment thereto (all of which are attached hereto and made part hereof.).
- 39. Furthermore, Syracuse University, Melvin Eggers, Clifford Winters, Ray Irwin and Buulah Rohrlich were all named as Respondents in one or more of the New York State Division of

Human Rights proceedings; and they therefore come within the purview of my EEOC Complaints and the Notice of the Right to Sue letter attendant thereto which incorporated therein and were based upon the state administrative complaints and proceedings.

- 40. Allegations three (3) through thirty-five (35) of the Complaint filed with this Court and served upon the Defendants all come within the purview of the Notice of Right to Sue letter issued to me by the EEOC, in June, 1973, as all were alleged before the New York State Division of Human Rights and all were, therefore, incorporated in my Complaint and Amendment thereto before the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission. Furthermore, Syracuse University, Melvin Eggers, Beulah Rohrlich, Gherles Winters and Ray Irwin all come within the purview of the aforementioned Notice of Right to Sue Letter issued by the EEOC to me in June, 1973.
- 41. Accordingly, pursuant to the Notice of Right to Sue letter issued by the EEOC to me in June, 1973, and my exercise of that right, this Court has proper jurisdiction over all of the allegations contained in my Complaint and all of the named Defendant parties named therein, said jurisdiction being conferred upon it by 42 U.S.C. §§2000e, et see, (Title VII of the Civil Rights.Act of 1964 as amended).

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YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED TRAT:

UNUMERAS, this Commission has not filed a civil action with respect to your charge as provided by section 706(f)(1) of Title Vil of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, 42 U.S.C. 2000e et seq; and,

WHEREAS, this Commission has not entered into a conciliation agreement to which you are a party;

THEREFORE, pursuant to \$705(F) of Title VII, you may within 90 days of your receipt of this Motice, institute a civil action in the United States District Court having jurisdiction over your case.

Should you decide to commence judicial action, you must do so within 90 days of the receipt of this letter or you will lose your right to sue under Title VII.

If you are not represented by council and you are unable to obtain counsel, the Court may in its discretion, appoint an atterney to represent you.

Chould you have say questions concerning your legal rights or have any difficulty filling your case in court, please contact Mr. Ronald Copeland of our Regional Office at (212) 264-3644.

LIOVE G. PROLL, District Director

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because of my AGE (), RACE (), CREED (), COLOR (), NATIONAL ORIGIN (), SEX (x). The particulars are:

- 1. In March 1969 I was re-admitted to the Syracuse University Graduate School and accepted into the Buramities Doctoral Progress. Upon information and belief to date I have completed 50 hours of course work with the grade of A and 13 hours with a grade
- 2. When Prof. Charles D. Smith first introduced me to Dr. Irwin and told him that I hoped to earn a doctorate he commented, "what a romatic idea". Since I had never net Prof. Train before and he knew nothing about me, I could only conclude that he did not think that women were qualified to do scholarly work.
- 3. Or or about August 1969 Prof. Smith told me that he was resubmitting a request to hire re for the Lectureship that had become vacant. Upon information and belief, this becture his had been held by Cornell B. Wlanding. I had previously substitted an appliatt a for a producte assistantalip.
- 4. On September 4, 1969, Dr. Smith returned to his home and rold me that he had resigned his chairman hip because of the circumstances surrounding a meeting held the night before at the born of Dean Irvin. He told me that he could no longer run a department in witch was not permitted to hire the most qualified applicant. Upon information and belief, train had called for this department meeting for 10 p.m. he notified Dr. Pourlich and it. Makes about the meeting at 9:30 p.n. the same evening. Upon information and palled, they noted not to accept Dr. Smith's recommendation of me. I brilieve that the normal procedure would have been for a department meeting to be called with advance notice, held during normal working hours in the department chambers and with a quorum of the fullpresent. Upon information and belief, Dr. Smith and Ronald Burke should have becamotified of this meeting and present. Deen Irwin to not considered a member of the e, comment and as such has no vote. I was never given a reason for the negative vote by illin group.
- . At a subsequent time Dr. Smith was told by Dear Tryta that he and Dean Picker objected to my living acrongements, as I, along with my son, was living in the hise of Dr. Smith. alth explained to them that I was not able, financially, to provide other housing arrangements for my son and myself. It was also stated that there were no questions con-Cortailly about my situation. Acting Vice-Provont Clifford L. Winters, Jr., assuared on 19, 1970, scating be aid not see a review of my esse as being useful as my failure to obtain an appointment had so do with my training and experience. This discrepancy has paver been explained.

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- 6. Upon information and belief any individual holding a lectureship or instructorship in the Department of Public Address has at least possessed a master's degree and has been n doctoral considite. Also, teaching experience was preferred. I fill all of these qualifications. The individual subsequently appointed was a beginning master's candidate without any teaching experience. Because prior standards used in this department going back at least 15 years were so radically lowered, I can only conclude that this was done no as not to hire me and give the job to a moa.
- 7. At the time that I arrived in Dr. Smith's home, there was a mate public address graduate student, Mr. David Sampson, also living in the louse. Nothing was ever baid about Mr. Sampson's living arrangements. Upon information and belief while at Syracuse University he had no trouble pursuing any academic or employment aspirations.
- 8. Upon information and belief I do not feel that had I been male that an approval of my housing accommodations would have been required as one of my qualifications for appointment.
- 9. Based on the foregoing statements, I charge the respondents with an unlawful discriminutory act by refusing to hire me in violation of the Human Rights Law of the State of Med York because of my nex. I am a female.

By reason of the unlawful discriminatory practice of respondent as herein alleged, complainant has already suffered damages in the sum of \$

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SELENE WARDING GURD WEISE

Complainant

Vs.

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SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF SPEECH AND DEMANTIC ART, PROF. RAY L. IRWIN, ACTING DEAN; CLIFFORD L. WINTERS, ACTING VICE-PROVOST

Respondent

DITERMINATION AFTER INVESTIGATION

On Jone 25, 1970, Selene Harding Curd Weise, who is a female, filed a verified complaint with the State Division of Human Rights charging the above-named respondents with an unlawful discriminatory practice relating to employment because of her sex, in violation of the Human Rights Lew of the State of New York.

After investigation, the Division of Human Rights has determined that it has jurisdiction in this matter and that there is probable cause to believe that the respondents have engaged in or are engaging in the unlawful discriminatory practice complained of.

Pursuant to Section 297.4.a of the Law, this matter is hereby ordered to public hearing. A Notice of Hearing shall be issued.

Dated: September 17, 1970

STATE DIVISION OF HUMAN RIGHTS

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STATE DIVISION OF HUMAN RIGHTS
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Selene Harding Curd Weise	
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On information and belief a first year graduate student who is one of eter Polatich's advisees and a registered student in her section of interviewing a given as a graduate project the task of writing a comparative study between my serviewing section and Dostor Robrlich's. This effectively gave Doctor Robrlich sethod of appling on my work under the guise of scholarly work.	
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I therefore charge the respondents with an unlawful act of discrimination retaliating against me for having previously filed a complaint with the New York ate Division of Human Rights in violation of the Human Rights Law of the State of New ork.	
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Subscribed and sworn to before me

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Complainant

Case No. V-C-766-70

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Respondent

DETERMINATION AFTER INVESTIGATION

On December 16, 1970, Selene Harding Curd Weise, who is a female, filed a verified complaint with the State Division of Human Pights charging the above-named respondents with an unlawful discriminatory practice relating to employment because of her sex, in violation of the Human Rights Law of the State of New York.

After investigation, the Division of Human Rights has determined that it has jurisdiction in this matter and that there is probable cause to believe that the respondents have engaged in or are engaging in the unlawful discriminatory practice esplained of.

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Dated: December 23, 1970

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Complainant,

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COMPLAINT NO.

Selene Harding Curd Weise

siding at 301 Salt Springs Road, Syracuse

Tel No. 446-9437

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Syracuse University, Syracuse, New York -13210

Tel No. 476-5541

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On or about June 25, 1970, and December 16, 1970, I filed complaints with the New York to Division of Human Rights against Syracuse University and one of its sub-divisions. I of these complaints were ordered to hearing.

Since I first arrived at Syracuse University and obtained parking privileges I have been mitted to park on the campus by medical permit because I have asthma.

During the first week of September on or about September 2, as I had done in the past, and to the Security Office in person to apply for my medical parking permit. I was adjusted by the secretary to go to the Student Health Service and obtain a letter from the play in authorizing me special medical parking privileges on the campus. That same day I to the Health Service and obtained a statement from a physician. I then returned to Security Office with this medical statement in a scaled envelope and was told by the medical to advised in 10 days about my parking.

On or show September 8, 1970, I left Syracuse to go to England for a research trip. le 1 was there, I received a communication from Doctor Charles D. Smith who savided no sy request for medical packing had been turned down. Although Doctor Smith in my olly Advisor he advised me there was nothing further he could do about the matter.

Che we also t October 19, 1971, when I returned to Syracuse, I went back to the Security fries to determine the disposition of my request for special parking. The secretary adminstrate that it had been desired because there were fewer parking places and more application. I altempted to explain that I had had special medical parking on the campus for years previously and that because of my anthma I was unable to walk up the hill during severe winter weather without jeopardizing my health. The secretary suggested that I become deviate the University Farking Committee. I say bottom out that make day in his office. I advised him of my medical problem. He seemed quite atheric and solving me to reapply. I did so that same day.

Although in the past it has taken approximately 10 days for approval of my special parking, and nothing further about my request until on or about November 16, 1971. During the period Occober 19 until November 1 had temporary parking privileges in lot A-6.

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Selene Harding Curd Weise

Complaint No.

Syracuse University and Melvin A. Eggers Respondent:

On or about November 15 I returned to the campus Security Division to determine what had mened to my request. I was advised by the same secretary that the best the parking consist ald do was authorize me parking privileges in lot A-1 from 4:30 P.M. on on Mondays through idays. I attempted to explain that this would not work because I was compalled to be on the agus wany times during the day before 4:30 P.M. She replied that pechaps the privilege might able to be probed back to 4:00 P.H.

Within a day on two I wet Doctor Gracher on campus. I attempted to explain the cituation him. He advised we that the parking privileges I had been offered were the best that could done. I attempted to ach him what I had to do about commitments I had on the compus prior 4:30 P.M., as those with the Graduste Student Organization, University Senate, Poard of advate Studies, other committees, and academic commitments. Dector Graeber replied that the pluate Student Organization was not essential to the University's activities. I advised him it this attitude was not acceptable. He then advised me that I could write a letter to hid th a list of my activities, and I could come in daily to the Security section, which would ck out what I was to do. He also mentioned that perhaps I should obtain a stronger medical

Upon information and belief, attempts have been made to contact the Chancellor of the iversity by the Graduate Student Organization and by Mr. Meal M. Moffman, Regional Director, the Syracuse office of the New York State Division of Human Rights about what has been me to re in my request for medical parking. Further, upon information and belief, no answer s been provided by Chancellor Eggers.

-). On or about November 23, 1971, I was contacted at home by telephone by the secretary in e Security Division. She advised me that she had a letter to me from Doctor Gracher authoring to parking privileges in lot A-1 after 4:00 P.M. for five days a week and I could come one day a week and give the Security Office a schelple of my activities for the week, inwhise duration, location, time, and names of committees and organizations.
- . Based on my prior approval for medical parking on the campus and the events which have urred since September of this year and my prior complaints I can only conclude that the fusal of my request for medical parking is further retaliation against me. Further, because my physical condition I have serious doubts as to my capability of accomplishing the century work from my degree.
- I, therefore, charge the respondent with an unlawful act of discrimination in violation the Busson Rights Law of the Stare of New York by retaliating against me for previously having hed a complaint with the New York State Division of Human Rights.

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Syracuse University and Melvin A. Eggers

Respondent

Case No. V-C-1256-71 C-25736-71

DETERMINATION AFTER INVESTIGATION

On December 1, 1971, Selene Harding Curd Weise filed a verified complaint with the State Division of Human Rights charging the above-maned respondent with an unlawful discriminatory practice relating to retaliation for the complainant having previously filed a complaint against this respondent in violation of the Human Rights Law of the State of New York.

After investigation, the Division of Heman Rights has determined that there is no probable cause to believe that the respondent has engaged in or is engaging in the unlawful discriminatory practice complained of. The investigation disclosed that eight students, diagnosed as asthmatics, applied for medical parking privileges in the 1971-1972 school year. All were refused. No evidence was uncovered that the complainant, as asthmatic, was refused a medical parking permit because she had previously filed a complaint.

This complaint is therefore ordered dismissed and the file is closed.

The complainant or any party to the proceeding before the Division may appeal this order to the State Human Rights Appeal Board, 250 Broadway, New York, New York 1007, by filing a notice of appeal within fifteen (15) days after the date of the mailing of this order.

Dated: May 16, 1972

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STATE DIVISION OF HUMAN LIGHT STATE DIVISION OF BUMAN RIGHTS on the complaint of SELENE HARDING CURD WEISE, . .. d.n. HOTICE OF ORDER AFFER Complainant, CONSOLIDATED HEAPING - against -CASE NOS. CS-21318-70 SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY, SCHOOL OF SPEECH CS-22792-70 AND BRAMATIC AFTS; PROFESSOR RAY IRWIN, : ACTIES DEAN, CLIFFORD L. WINTERS, ACTIES VICE-PROVOST; AND DR. BEULAH ROBELICH, DEPARTMENT CHAIRMAN, Respondents. SIRS: PLEASE TAKE HOTICE that the within is a true copy of an Order issued herein by Jack M. Sable, Commissioner of the State Division of Human Rights, after a hearing held before Mearing Examiner Jose Ramon Torres. In accordance with the Division's Rules of Practice, copies of this Order have been filed in the offices maintained by the Division at 270 Broadway, Hew York, New York 10007, and at 333 East Washington Street, . racuse, New York 13202. The Order may be inspected by any member of the public during the regular office hours of the Division. PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that in accordance with Section 297-a of the New York State Human Rights Law, any party to the proceeding aggrieved by said Order of the Division may obtain review thereof in a proceeding before the State Human Rights Appeal Board, 250 Broadway, New York, New York 10007, provided such appeal is commenced by the filing with the Board of a notice of appeal within fifteen (15) days after the service of this Order DATED: APR 8 1 1972 STATE DIVISION OF HUMAN RIGHTS HEW YORK, NEW YORK COMMISSIONER ONLY COPY AVAILABL Mrs. Sclera Harding Curd Weise 301 Salt Springs Food Syracuse, New York 13234

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on the complaint of SELENE HARDING CUED WEISE,

- against -

EYRACUSE UNIVERSITY, SCHOOL OF : SPEECH AND PRAMATIC ARTS; PROPESSOR : BAY TEWIN, ACTING BEAU, CLIFFORD L. : WINTERS, ACTING VICE-PROVOST; AND DE. BEULAH KORRLICH, DEPARTMENT CHAIRMAN.

Respondents .:

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Complainant,: CASE NOS. C8-21318-70-CS-22792-70 (Consolidated)

PROCEEDINGS IN THE CASE

On the 25th day of June, 1970, and on the 16th day of December, 1970, the above-named Complainant filed a verified conplaint with the State Division of Human Light: (hereinafter the "Division") charging the Respondents with an untawful discrim- .. inatory practice relating to employment, in violation of the Numer Rights Law (Executive haw, Article 15) of the State of New York. .

After investigation of each completat, the livision found that it had jurisdiction over the respective complaints and that provable cause existed to believe that Respondents had engaged in the unlawful discriminatory practice as charged on each complaint. The Division thereupen referred the cares to public

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- V 1. Complainant Selene Harding Curd Weise is a female.
- 2. At various times since 1967 and at all times pertinent herein, the Complainant resided in the home of Dr. Charles-D. Smith who was an Associate Professor and Chairman of the Department of Public Address in the School of Speech and Dramatic Arts at Respondent Syracuse University.
- 3. In January, 1968, Complainant enrolled in the School of Speech and Dramatic Arts, Department of Public Address, Syracuse University, in pursuit of her Master's Degree, which she completed in approximately six months.
- 4. Dr. Smith was involved directly in a substantial number of the courses taken by Complainant in her course of study and he interceded on her behalf in a class.taken by Complainant which was taught by a graduate student in the Department of Public Address.
- 5. Thereafter, Complainant went to Indiana University where she obtained a graduate assistantship while pursuing her Doctoral Degree.
- √ 6. In February, 1969, while still attending Indiana
 University, Complainant applied for re-admission to the graduate school of Syracuse University for the September, 1969 term, and automatically applied for a graduate assistantship.
- 7. Complainant's application for re-admission was accepted; her application for a graduate assistantship was denied by Dr. Frank Piskor, then Acting Dean of the School of Speech and Dragatic Arts.
- 8. Upon her return to Syracuse University for the September, 1969 term, Complainant became a Ph.D candidate in the Humanities Doctoral Program, an interdisciplinary program administered through the College of Arts and Science.
- of this particular degree, offers three generally related disciplines of study in more than one department, of which one is considered a major. Complainant's major discipline was in Speech.

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- the Associate bean of the School of Speech and Dramatic Arts, and Dr. Smith was Chairman of the Department of Public Address.
- 11. In addition to Dr. Smith, the other members of the full time faculty of the Department of Public Address were Dr. Beulah Rohrlich, a female, also a Respondent herein, and Mr. Paul McKee, lecturer and a Ph.D. candidate in the School of Speech, Department of Speech Education.
- V 12. On or about August 15, 1969, Mr. Cornell B. Blanding, a Ph.D. candidate and a member of the full-time faculty of the tepartment of Fublic Address, had applied for a one year leave of absence.
- ∠ 13. In or about the middle of August, 1969, Dr. Smith telephoned Dr. Rohrlich and told her that he was going to propose to the faculty of the Department of Public Address that Complainant be appointed to the lectureship vacated by Br. Blanding.
- ✓ 14. When Dr. Rohrlich inquired about Mr. McKee's position
 on the proposed appointment, Dr. Smith asserted that Mr. McKee
 approved of sold appointment. Dr. Rohrlich then informed Dr.
 Smith that if Mr. McKee was in agreement with Complainant's
 appointment, she would go along with it too.
- 15. Following an initial approach to Dr. Irwin, Dr. Smith sent a letter to Respondent Dr. Clifford L. Winters, who at that time was Acting Vice-Provost, wherein he indicated that Complainant's appointment to the lectureship would be received enthusiastically by all the full-time members of the Department of Public Address, especially by Dr. Rohrlich.
- ✓ 16. On August 16, 1969, Mr. McKee left for St. Louis,
 Missouri, and returned to Syracuse on September 3, 1969, when he
 learned for the first time of Dr. Smith's recommendation of the
 Complainant for the position of lecturer.
- 17. I find that Dr. Smith misrepresented Mr. McKee's position to Dr. Rohrlich and that the latter's approval of the subject appointment was obtained through the said misrepresentation.
- 18. I find that Dr. Rohrlich's position with regard to Com-

letter to Dr. Winters.

of her withdrawal of support for the Complainant's appointment to the instant lectureship and due to the opposition of Dr. Rohrlich and Dr. McKee, Complainant was not appointed to the position of lecturer.

of Public Address as a result of the faculty's rejection of the Complainant's appointment, and thereafter Dr. Rohrlich assumed the Chairmanship of the Department of Public Address.

21. On or about September 7, 1969, Dr. Rohrlich promoted Mr. Anthony Curmano to the instant lectureship. The appointment was approved by the members of the full-time faculty of the Department of Public Address.

22. Prior to the lectureship appointment, Mr. Cusmano had been accepted as a graduate assistant by Dr. Smith. It was felt that Mr. Cusmano, who had a law degree, could help the speech law curriculum.

Robrlich, Chairman of the Department of Public Address, Complainant formally applied for a graduate assistantship in the Department for the academic year 1970-71.

/24. Complainant was given the appointment for one year for the academic year 1970-71 by letter from Dr. Rohrlich dated march 20, 1970.

25. Complainant accepted the award of a Graduate Assistantship in the Department of Public Address for the academic year 1970-71 via letter dated March 26, 1970.

/26. On June 25, 1970, Complainant filed a complaint with this Division. In substance, Complainant charged Respondents with refusing her a lectureship because of her sex.

√27. In a letter dated December 14, 1970, Dr. Rohrlich intormed Complainant that the Department of Public Address was in no position to renew her graduate assistantship for the academic year 1971-72.

- 28. On December 16, 1970, Complainant tiled a second complaint against the original Respondents and against br. Robrlich, charging Respondents with retaliation against her for having filed a prior complaint with the Division.
- 29. I find that the Complainant's rejection for the position of lecturer in the Department of Public Address was not based upon considerations of sex.
- 30. I find that Respondents' decision not to renew Complainant's graduate assistantship for the academic year 1971-72 was not based upon retaliatory motive or intent but was based upon financial, academic and administrative factors.

DECISION

University, School of Speech and Dramatic Arts, Professor Ray
frwin, Clifford L. Winters and Dr. Beulah Rohrlich did not discriminate against Complainant Selene Harding Curd Weise, because
of her sex or because she had filed a complaint with the State
pivision of Human Rights, in violation of the Human Rights Law.

ORDER

Upon the basis of the foregoing Findings of Fact and pursuant to the Human Rights Law, it is hereby

ORDERED, that the complaints of Selene Harding Curd Weise, against all of the named Respondents be, and the same are hereby, dismissed.

DATED:

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Respondents-Appellees

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Your consideration of this charge will be most appreciated.

Sincerely.

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We have received your communication alleging unlawful employment practices in violation of Title VII of the Civil Rights act of 1964, as amended. Under Section 706 of Title VII, this commission cannot accept your complaint until a state or local agency has had at least 60 days to try to resolve your problem.

We have, therefore, sent your complaint to the New York State Division of Human Rights, 270 Broadway, New York, N.Y. 10007, and ask you to cooperate fully in their investigation of this matter. Please contact them immediately to be certain that all requirements for commencing proceeding in your case have been met.

Unless we hear from you to the contrary, we will automatically file your complaint after the 60 day period has ended. If the state should end its proceeding earlier than 60 days we will . file the complaint when it does so, unless we hear from you to the contrary.

If the state has not been able to resolve your complaint, we will undertake an investigation as soon as possible.

I must, however, tell you that we have many charges on file and it may be many months until we can actually begin an investigation. Please be patient and we will contact you as soon as resources allow.

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Sincerely,

Daniel Murnane Mackey

TO : Mrs. Science Harding Cord Weise

FROM: Mrs. R. Velght, Eco E. Gloratio

As requested in your letter of July 11, 1972, the material was xeroxed and the enclosed returned to you as follows:

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Jan Mr. Hurst:

In your notice of adjournment, dated June 13, 1972, you mention no date to which the hearing is adjourned. I would for so out grateful if you could tell up the period of time/which the metworptsy lawyers requested adjourn ent.

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Dated:

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Respondents

In all correspondence please refer to:

Case No. V-CS-1811-73 CS-29486-73

DETERMINATION AFTER INVESTIGATION

On February 26, 1973, Selene Harding Curd Weise, who is a woman, filed a verified complaint with the State Division of Human Rights charging the above-named respondents with an unlawful discriminatory practice relating to employment because of her sex and because she had previously filed a complaint with the State Division of Human Rights, in violation of the Human Rights Law of the State of New York.

After investigation, the Division of Human Rights has determined that it has jurisdiction in this matter and that there is probable cause to believe that the respondents have engaged in or are engaging in the unlawful discriminatory practice complained of.

Pursuant to Section 297.4.a of the Law, this matter is hereby recommended for public hearing. Parties will be advised of further proceedings.

Dated: April 25, 1973

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To: Ms. Selene Harding Card Weise 301 Salt Springs Road Syrocuse, New York

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Door Er. Hurst:

I filed an appeal with your office on the 2nd of May, 1972; this is not two weeks short of one year that it has been in your hands. It scame to me that one your from the date of filing and six menths close the date of hearing is more than adopted time to reach a decision. I would appreciate it very much if I could near immediately when I can expect a decision.

with best regards,

Sincerely,

Selene Harding Surd Weise (Ers. H. A.)

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Syracuse University, School of
Speech and Dramatics Arts, et al.
Cases No. CS-21318-70, CS-22792-70 Appeal No. 1327 also Appeal No. 1353 Dear Ms. Weise: Your letter of April 17, 1973 addressed to Hon. Lloyd L. Hurst, Chairman of this Board, has been referred to me for reply. It is expected that the decision in your appeal which was heard on October 19, 1972 will be reached within the next two to three weeks. Very truly yours, Member ONLY COPY AVAILABLE STATE HUMAN PICHTS APPEAL BOARD 250 Broadway--11th Pleor New York, N. Y. 10007 Tel: 488-2038 (area code 212)

90: All Parties to this Proceeding -- APPEAL NO. 13.53

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that herewith attached is the Decision and Order of the State Human Rights Appeal board.

ANY COMPLAINANT, RESPONDENT OR OTHER PURSON ACGREEVED BY THIS OFFICE MAY OBTAIN JUDICIAL REVIEW THEREOF. Such proceeding shall be brought in the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court of the State in the appropriate judicial department within 30 days of service of this Order. (See Section 298, Human Rights Law.)

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The board having reviewed the record herein and having read the Brief of the Complainant-Appellant and having considered the arguments of the parties, and having decided that the Determination and Order of the State Division of Heren Fights in dismissing the verified complaint of the Complainant Appellant was not arbitrary, capriclous or abuse of discretion, it is

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DECISION

VS.

Case No. C-25738-71

SYPACUSE UNIVERSITY and MELVIN A. EGGERS, Respondents

APPEAL NO. 1353

This is an appeal by Selene Harding Curd Welse, ComplainantAppellant, hereinafter called Appellant, from a Determination and
Order After Investigation by the State Division of Human Rights dated
May 16, 1972 dismissing the complaint wherein Appellant had charged
the above named Respondents with an unlawful discriminatory practice
relating to employment by retaliating against her for having previously
filed a complaint with the New York State Division of Human Rights.

In her verified complaint sworn to the 1st day of December 1971 Appellant alleged, among other things, that she had filed complaints with the New York State Division of Huwan Rights, hereinafter called Division, against Respondent Syracuse University and one of its sub-divisions. Appellant further alleged that when she first arrived at Respondent University and obtained parking privileges she had been permitted to park on the campus by medical permit because she has asthma. As in the past, Appellant went to the Security Office in person to apply for her medical permit, and was advised to go to the Student Health Service and obtain a letter from a physician authorizing her special medical privileges on the campus. Appellant further alleged that she complied and was told by the secretary at the Security Office that she would be advised in about ten days about her parking. Appellant further alleged that on or about September 8, 1970 she left Syracuse to go abroad and then returned to Syracuse in October 1971. When she inquired about her special parking permit she was told it had been denied because there were fever parking places and more applications. Because of her asthmatic condition t was suggested that she see Dr. Graeber, Chairman of University

Parking, which she did. She next heard about her request on or about Movember 15, 1971, and during the period from October 19 until November 1 she had temporary parking privileges in lot A-6. Appellant also alleged that she was later informed that the best the Farking Committee could do was to authorize parking privileges to her in lot A-1 from 4:30 p.m. on from Mondays through Fridays. Appellant objected to this because she had to be on the campus many times before 4:30 p.m. Dr. Gracber, in response to her further inquiry, advised Appellant that she could write a letter to him with a list of her activities, and that she could come in daily to the Security Section and could check out what she was to do. Appellant was informed on or about November 23, 1971 that Dr. Graeber had authorized her parking privileges in lot A-1 after 4:00 p.m. five days a week, and that she could come in one day a week and give the Security Office a list of her activities for the week and the time required. Appellant further alleged that because of her prior approval for medical parking, and because of the events which have occurred since September 1971 and her prior complaints, that she concludes that the refusal of her request for medical parking is further retaliation against her; and because of her physical condition she scriously doubts her capability of accomplishing the necessary work for her degree; and Appellant charged the Respondents with an unlawful act of discrimination by retaliating against her for having previously filed a complaint with the New York State Division of Human Rights.

no probable cause to believe that the Respondents had engaged in a unlawful discriminatory practice complained of. The Division Order dated May 16, 1972 stated, away other things, that the investigation disclosed that eight students, diagnosed as asthuatics, applied for medical parking privileges in the 1971-72 school year and were refused. It is also stated therein that "no evidence was uncovered.

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part of the record herein supports the finding that eight asthmatics had applied for medical parking permits and all eight were refused. The same procedure of refusal was also applied to several other categories of medical disability.

The Division investigation also revealed that campus parking has been severely curtailed because of new construction on the campus. The record also contains a copy of a letter from Dr. Rowland P. Graeber, safety and Security Office, informing Appellant that the Parking Committee had granted her a medical permit for lot A-3 valid from 4:00 p.m. daily, and also a specific pass for those days on which her graduate student bodies would meet earlier than 4:00 p.m. which she could obtain by going once a week to get the specific passes needed. Appellant, it appears, wrote in reply to Dr. Graeber that the suggested plan was not satisfactory, for the reasons stated in her letter of December 10, 1971.

Board that Respondents had unlawfully discriminated against Appellant in retaliation for her having previously filed a complaint with the State Division of Human Rights. Furthermore, there is reasonable support in the record for the Determination and Order of the Division.

Accordingly, the said Determination and Order of the State Division of Buman Rights in dismissing the verified complaint herein was not arbitrary, capricious or abuse of discretion, and should be affirmed.

'STATE HUMAN RIGHTS' APPEAL BOARD

By Free Lecci.

Dated: June 1, 1973

The following members concar in the foregoing decision and epinion:

Hon. Lloyd L. Hurst

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Syracuse, New Yerr 17004 Case Tax 2 11126 12.00,190 Mr. Daniel Murnage Mackey District Director Banel Reployment Oppositualty Commission 26 Fedoral Flana, Rom 4002 Now York, Nov York 10007 Door Mr. Enckey: I filed a completed with your office on the 12th of May, 1972, and it is given the number for 2 4126. As of this date I have heard nothing from you aimed the routine acknowledgment of the receipt of the compliaint. I have since filled emother charge with the Bon Yest: State fivinion of Human Rights, dated February 26, 1975. I would like at this time to applicate and aread by first complaint with b. B. O. O. I have enclosed a copy of the complaint filed with the W. State Phys ision. If adulthough natorial or forms are acceded let no know, and I will comply. As you can see from the new complaint, I om still strang-ging to canish by Mr. B. and the talversity as still refusing to even consider se for a graduate assistantable, Lot alone my full-thes omployment. I understand that M.B.O.O. has not been able to investigate any of the University completnes in the State of Her York, and that they are not likely to be able to in the foresecuble future. If this be the unse, I understand that a complement may make her our way in Sedewel

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June 12, 1973

Ms. Scienc Harding Curd Weise
301 Salt Spring Road
Syracuse, New York 13224

RE: TEU3 0549 Syracuse University

Dear Ms. Weise:

We have received your latter to Daviel M. Nackey, Dist.

We have received your latter to Daviel M. Mackey, District Director, New York District Office, enclosing a copy of year February 26, 1973, charge with the New York State Division of Human Rights.

As required by Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, amended, we are novifying the New York State Division of Human Rights that we are assuming jurisdiction over your charge since the State has had jurisdiction for more than the required 60 days.

We would appreciate it, however, if you will complete our charge form regarding the University's failure to hire you for a teaching assistantship because of your sex and retaliating against you for previously having filed complaints with the New York State Division of Human Rights and ECOC. A return cavelope is provided for your convenience.

You question your right to proceed in Federal District Court. Section 706(f)(1) and the Commission's Regulations provide that at any time after the expiration of 180 days from the filing of a charge, on aggrieved person may demand in triting that the Commission issue a Notice of Right To Sue. If you request that FIOC issue such Motice, please be advised that such Notice will apply only to your early charge with us, TEUS 0097 (forecrty TNY2 1126).

If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

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Liefo G. BELL District Director

cc: Faith A. Seidenberg, Esq.

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Equal Employment Opportunity Commission 1 West Gonesec Street Buffalo, New York 1920?

Att: Ms. Penks

Re: Thu3 0549 Syrconse University TBU3 0597 Syracuse University

Dear Mo. Banks:

This letter will confirm our telephone conversation of June 18 or 19, 1973, wherein I sought to elecity the matter involving Ms. Youse's attempt to amend or up-date the original charge filed with the Commission. You may recall that you stated that her letter dated May 23, 1973, would be treated as a part of the original charge filed with the Commission (TEU3 0097).

As such, I hereby demand, on behalf of Ms. Weise, that the Commission issue her the 90 day NOTICE OF WIGHT TO SUE.

I have enclosed a copy of the additions to the original charge on a new charge form dated June 30, 1973.

Thank you for your ecoperation in this matter. .

Yours very truly, ONONDAGA MEIGHTCHHOOD LEGAL SERVICES, JAC.

By: Langston C. McKinrey Attorney at Ley

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PLAINTIFFS

VS

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DEFENDANTS

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STATE OF NEW YORK
COUNTY OF ONONDAGA

ss.:

SELENE WEISE, being first duly sworn, deposes and says:

- 1. I am the individually named Slaintiff in this action.
- 2. I seek to prosecute this action for all women, similarly situated, to wit: women who have been discriminated against, by the Defendant University and the officials thereof, because of their sex in their appointment to faculty positions at said University, their termination from faculty positions with said University, and their promotion within faculty positions at said University.
- 3. I do not know how many women apply to said University each year for appointment to faculty positions thereat; however, I believe that approximately one hundred (100) women apply to said University for faculty positions thereat each year and that virtually all, or substantially all, are turned



down for appointment to faculty positions at said University because of their sex and not because of the absence of appropriate qualifications.

- 4. Furthermore, I have no way of knowing how many women have not even applied for appointment to faculty positions with said University because they have been deterred in doing so by the alleged sexually discriminatory policies, practices, and standards employed by said University in making such appointments; but I believe that such number runs into the hundreds over the last three years.
- 5. Furthermore, I have no way of knowing how many women have been terminated from faculty positions or denied tenure or promotion within said University over the last three years because of the alleged sexually discriminatory policies, practices and standards employed by the Defendant University in terminating said individuals or denying to them tenure or promotion within said University; however, I believe that such number runs into the hundreds.
- 6. I believe that at least six (6) women have filed either state and/or federal administrative complaints against the Defendant University alleging sex discrimination by said University over the last several years; however, in so asserting I do not submit that such a number represents the total number of complaints which have been filed or could have been filed by women against said University for its sexually discriminatory employment policies and practices.

- While I was employed by said University as a graduate student teaching assistant, I taught two graduate level courses.
- 8. While I was employed by said Defendant University, teaching as a graduate student/assistant, I taught the afore-mentioned graduate level courses because I was the ONLY PERSON qualified to teach said courses, including those persons who held position of professor, assistant professor and associate professor and including persons who held tenured faculty positions at said University.
- 9. While I was employed by said Defendant University, teaching as a graduate student/assistant, I performed the same teaching duties and responsibilities as other faculty persons, including assistant professors, associate professors, full professors, some of whom were tenured faculty personnel.
- 10. While I was employed by said Defendant University teaching and taught in the capacity as a graduate student/assistant, I considered myself, and was considered by others, to be a faculty member, in good standing, at said Defendant University.

	SELENE WEISE	

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My Commission Expires:	

Sworn to and subscribed before me

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF HEW YORK

CIVIL NO. 73 CLV. 420

SELENE WEISE, on behalf of herself and on behalf of all persons similarly situated,

PLAINTIFFS

-vs-

SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY, an educational corporate entity, DR. MELVIN EGGERS, Chancellor, DR. CHIFFORD L. HINTERS, Vice-Chancellor, DR. RAY IRWIN, DR. BEULAH ROKRLICH, and DR. PAUL RIED,

DEFENDANTS

PLAINTIFF'S SUPPLEMENTAL MEMORANDUM IN OPPOSITION TO THE DEFENDANTS'MOTION TO DISMISS

This Memorandum is submitted as an additional supplement to the Plaintiff's initial memorandum in opposition to the Defendants' Motion to Dismiss. In particular it will focus upon the Fourteenth Amendment issue again raised by the Defendants in their Supplemental Memorandum, and the issue of Class Action.

The Defendants have stated that "Plaintiff is properly before this Court only with respect to her application for the position of teaching assistant in the Speech Communication Department."

The Plaintiff's case is a totality, beginning in the autumn of 1969, and continuing to the present time. The Plaintiff returned to Syracuse University in the autumn of 1969 as a full-time matriculated graduate student, a doctoral candidate for a Ph.D. degree with a major in Public Address. The Plaintiff is

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candidate for a Ph.D. degree with a major in Public Address.

Ser status has not changed. As a regular graduate student Plaintiff is still eligible for whatever teaching positions she is qualified to fill, just as she was in 1969. Though she has from time to time sent letters to the Deans or Department Chairmen reminding them of the fact, this was not an essential prerequisite for her to be considered for any open position for which she was qualified.

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The documents submitted with the original Affidavit in opposition to Defendants' Motion to Dismiss bear out the above facts. The first complaint filed with the New York State Division of Human Rights in June, 1970, charged discrimination based on sex. (See Exhibit "C", attached to Plaintiff's Affidavit). The second complaint filed with the State Division was filed December 16, 1970, and charged retaliation for having filed the original complaint. (See Exhibit "E" in same set of documents as above). During the public hearing on the original complaint, the attorney for the State Division moved to amend the above complaint, charging further retaliation (See Exhibit "G"). On December 1, 1971, complainant filed another complaint again charging retaliation. (See Exhibit "H"). On February 26, 1973, plaintiff filed another complaint with the State Division charging retaliation and discrimination based on sex.

It is clear from the above documents that the later offences resulted from the filing of the original complaint. One can scarcely charge retaliation unless there has been an initial act to retaliate against. This case has been a history of continuing discrimination and of continuing retaliation against the Plaintiff, not a series of discrete unrelated incidents. Therefore it is important to understand that the primary position for which the Plaintiff applied and was turned down, and for which

she was and still is entirely qualified, was that of a regular full-time faculty member, eligible for tenure and all other regular faculty perquisites. The graduate assistantships, both the one she held and the one for which she explicitly applied in 1973, were in lieu of the regular faculty appointment. If the Plaintiff had been appointed to the faculty position for which she applied, there would never have been any substitute of her needing or accepting a teaching assistentship, which was at best a poor second, in terms of remuneration and privileges.

Therefore, as a person fully qualified to hold a regular faculty position, the Plaintiff is most certainly a proper representative of the class of the faculty and professional women, and/or prospective female faculty and professional women.

POINT II of DEFENDANTS' AMENDED MEMORANDUM

Defendants state: "Plaintiff has failed to show any state action at Syracuse University."

The Plaintiff herewith sets forth a brief analysis of the some of the facts of state involvement in the affairs of Syracuse University, in particular, and all private colleges and universities in the State of New York, in general.

"The structure of higher education in New York is unique among the 50 states. A single administrative unit, the University of the State of New York, directed by a board of regents, has responsibility for all public and private higher education."

(emphasis added). (Heinz Eulau and Harold Quinley, State Officials and Higher Education a General Report Preserved for the Carnegie Commission on Higher Education, 1970). This administrative structure is based on the statute law quoted in the Plaintiff's original Memorandum of Lew on this same subject.

The history of higher education in New York shows that there was no state system of public higher education until 1948 with the founding of SUMY. Up to that time there had been a string of small state-supported normal schools in the rural areas of the state. It was not, however, until 1958 that SUNY began to attain its present form. Before that time, the state depended almost entirely on private colleges and universities to educate their young people after secondary school. It is within that framework that we must view the relationship between Syracuse University and the State of New York. As you know, prior to the decision reached in the Dartmouth case, states expected to help support their private colleges and universities. This system dates back prior to the Revolution, when the colonies helped to subsidize such universities as Harvard and Yale, as they did for Dartmouth. The system of state grants to private universities and colleges goes back to the Middle Ages in England, when the rulers endowed colleges, and then continued to help support them. The system still prevails in England in a modiffied form. However, the system died out in most of the original states in the United States, except for New York which maintained virtually intact the one that obtained prior to the Revolution. In other words during the years that other states were founding land grant colleges and state university systems, New York was enhancing and supporting the system of private colleges and universities that they already had. When SUNY was founded, it was added to the system already in existence.

This accounts for such statements as one finds in <u>Higher Edu-</u>
cation in the <u>United States</u> (Otto Feinstein, Keath Lexington
Books, 1971). "The schools (private universities) feared that
the significant development of a state university system would be

seriously detrimental to their power, prestige, and economic condition. This particular hostility was further enhanced by the presence, as state budget directors, of professors from Cornell and Syracuse Universities." "Shortly after the Plaintiff arrived on the Syracuse University campus, she learned that Stephen Bailey, Dean of the Syracuse University Maxwell School, was also a member of the New York State Board of Regents. It is also understood that the late James Allen, former Commissioner of Education for the State of New York, had been affiliated with Syracuse University. Given the existing frame-work there was great justification in using educators from private universities as members of the Board of Regents and other high offices in the state. Where else would they have come from? However, though, it indicates the close relationship between the State of New York Education Department and Syracuse University.

Bearing in mind the history of a public system being added to the already existing private system, let us examine some of the points Judge Foley has raised in his opinion in re Jo Davis Mortenson (73-0V-545). In his opinion Judge Foley quotes five criteria for State involvement from the case of Jackson v. the Statler Hilton Foundation (slip op. 2741, 2750 [Decided Dec. 4, 1973; Revised April 5, 1974[): "(1) the degree to which the 'private' organization is dependent on governmental aid; (2) the extent and intrusiveness of the governmental regulatory scheme; (3) whether that scheme connotes governmental approval. of the activity or whether the assistance is merely provided to all without such connotation; (4) the extent to which the organization serves a public function or acts as a surrogate for the State; (5) whether the organization has legitimate claims to recognition as a 'private' organization in associational or other constitutional terms."

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In the case, Myan v. Hofutra, 324 MYS 2d 964, the opinion, a long and complex one, lists seven criteria for establishing the degree of government aid, Judge Folcy's first point: 1. Dornitory Authority; 2. Governmental Grants; 3. State Scholar Incentive Awards to New York State residents; 4. Federal Construction Honey; 5. Land(where obtained); 6. Tax Exemption; 7. Federal and State Funded Programs.

It should be pointed out before fitting the criteria to the facts, that the facts given here are most meagre, and are given as indicators of where to look for the rest.

1. In the case of Syracuse University, many dormitories were built under the auspices of the New York State Dormitory Authority, (either fully or partially funded). Brewster-Boland-Brockway: Booth Garage; Syracuse University Research Corporation; Slocum Heights; Utica College and Sky Top. It is believed that about \$30 million dollars are still outstanding. It is not known what the buildings were financed for in the first place. Also, this list is not believed to be all-inclusive. According to the Dormitory Authorities Act, Eff. April 24, 1957, Section 1685, Exemptions from Taxation, it is stated: "It is hereby found, determined and declared that the creation of the Authority and the carrying out of its corporate purposes is in all respects for the benefit of the people of the state of New York, for the improvement of their education, welfare and prosperity, and is a public purpose, and that the dormitories of the Authority are an essential part of the state education system, and that the authority will be performing an essential governmental function in the exercise of the powers conferred upon it by this title, and that the authority will be performing an essential governmental function in the exercise of the powers conferred upon it by this title, and the state of New York covenants with the holders of the bonds (what private entity can have tex-free bonds sold in its behalf)? that the Authority shall be required to pay no taxes or

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association, control, possession or supervision or upon its activities in the operation and maintenance of such dormitories or any moneys, revenues, or other income received by the Authority and that the bonds of the Authority and the income therefrom shall at all times be exempt from taxation, except for transfer and estate taxes." This gives a brief statement of the purposes of the Authority.

The Dormitory Authority Act covers the building of dormitories for not only state owned, controlled and contracted schools, but for all private universities and colleges as well. Under that Authority, schools have the choice of having the dormitories built and operated by the Authority and leased to the college, or of having the money loaned to the college or university in question; then the institution builds its own buildings under the direction and supervision of the Authority, and subject to its rules and regulations. In the case of Syracuse, the money was loaned and the buildings contracted by the University.

2. Governmental Grants: In the Carnegie Commission Report on isderal Support to Colleges and Universities, 1972 there is a listing of the different types of institutions of higher education receiving Federal Government Support. The list is headed by the large research universities giving the doctoral degree; these are listed in order of amount and percentage of support given. Though universities are not given by name, and the data is given in averages and approximations, it is believed that Syracuse University fits into that first category which receives approximately 52 per cent of its total operating budgets each year from the Federal Government.

New York State gives direct grants to private universities, and they are known as "Bundy Money." These are given in direct proportion to the number of degrees granted each year, v400 for each bachelor's degree and v2400 for each graduate degree. There may be other state grants other than Bundy Money.

3. Scholar Incentive Awards. According to the Rules, Chapter II, Commissioner's Regulation, Subchapter I, Scholarships and Grants, Part 145, Regents Scholarships and Scholar Incentive Awards are made to New York State residents attending institutions of higher education in the State of New York. Any New York State resident is eligible to apply. Though Regents Scholarships are for academic excellence, the Scholar Incentive Awards are given for financial need.

At Syracuse University, out of a total enrollment of 19,355 for the fall semester of 1973, 13,560 students are New York State residents and eligible to apply. That number includes all students matriculated at Syracuse, graduate and under-graduate, full and part time and law students. That is 70 per cent of the total enrollment. These figures were obtained from the Syracuse University Planning Board.

On the federal level there have been the National Defence Educational Administration loan funds and scholarship awards, other are/loan funds from both state and federal government, as well as direct tuition grants for various special groups of students, handicapped, those in health care fields, the dis-advantaged, and numerous others, too numerous to mention. From the federal government are also the matching funds used for the work/ study programs.

- 4. Federal Construction Money. It is believed that some buildings at Syracuse University have been financed through the Housing and Home Finance Agency, now the Department of Housing and Urban Development.
- 5. Land. The original Syracuse University tract, it is understood was donated to the University. However, there have been some tracts that have come to the University through various urban development schemes. However, it is understood that much land has come from other sources, and virtually all of it is tax free.
- 6. Tax Exemption. All land coming under the Dormitory Authority is tax free, as well as the land used for educational purposes.

All gifts to the University are tax exempt, ie. money given directly in to general funds, endowments, manuscripts, rare books, art collections, etc.

7. Federal and state funded programs, as mentioned above the figure from the federal government may be as high as 52 per cent of the total operating budget.

Though all of the above figures are believed to be as correct as possible, it should be realized that there is limited access on the part of the general public to much of the material. However the importance of them is to impress upon the Court the enormous complexity of the funding of a very large university, and the necessity, if a fair judgment is to be reached, of a thorough exploration of all of the facts.

Taking all things together, the question needs to be asked:

<u>Could Syracuse University Operate Mithout State and/or Federal</u>

<u>Support and tax Exempt Private Support?</u> I firmly believe that it would not be possible, particularly at the present time.

(2) The extent and intrusiveness of the governmental re-

The most important point in the operation of Syracuse University, an independent institution, is that in the State of
New York, independence does not extend to education policy. The
independent institutions of higher education in New York operate
under the same laws as do a state contolled schools.

In New York we have the most right quality control of any state in the nation. "The role of the Regents in higher education, simply stated, is to see that there is effective expansion and development of higher education in New York State. Explicitly, this relates to the need to provide places and programs to meet the increased demand for education beyond high school. Implicit in the statement, and of greater concern to the Regents, is the maintenance of academic quality... The Regents quality control

function is carried out in three separate but inter-related ways; chartering of institutions and registering of individual programs, visitation and evaluation of institutions, and setting degree requirements and licensing the professions." (The Recents Statewide Plan for the Expansion and Development of Higher Education, 1963, published by The University of the State of New York, the State Education Department, Albany, New York, March 1969, p.1)

In Part 5, Section 52.2 in the Rules, under the authority of the Education Law:

"Standards for the Registration of Undergraduate and Graduate Ourricula...

"(c) Faculty Each member of the academic staff shall have demonstrated by his training, earned degrees, scholarship, experience, and by classroom performance or other evidence of teaching potential, his competence to offer the courses and discharge the other academic responsibilities which are assigned to him..."

This section is administered in the following manner:

In Section 3.3 of the same Rules, it is stated that there is a Committee of the Board of Regents on Higher and Professional Education appointed by the chancellor of The University of the State of New York, State Education Department, of which the chancellor and vice chancellor shall be ex officio members. This Committee on Higher and Professional Education is responsible for:

"Coordination of planning and development in higher and professional education, including State University, City University of New York and privately controlled institutions.

"Gurriculum and supervision in higher and professional education

"Examination, testing and student financial assistance in

higher education etc."

All of these functions are actively pursued by the administrative staff of the Education Department in Albany.

More under point (2) of Judge Foley's opinion, we have a second area that is controlled by the State, in addition to academic matters, and that is the area of Civil Rights in Education.

There are three sets of laws which cover civil rights in educational institutions:

- 1. Education Law
- . 2. Civil Rights Law
 - 3. Human Rights Law (Executive)
 - 1. Section 3201, Education Law, Vol. 16, McKinney

"No person shall be refused admission into or be excluded admission into or be excluded from any public school in the State of New York on account of race, creed, color or national origin."

Excludes sex

Section 313 of Education Law, "Declaration of policy. It is hereby declared to be the policy of the state that the American ideal of equality of opportunity requires that students, otherwise qualified, be admitted to educational institutions without regard to race, color, religion, creed or national origin."

Encludes sex

The Regents Plan page 3, "...a major goal is the limitation of parriers (race, creed, national origin, residence, and economic resources) to higher education." Excludes sex

2. Civil Rights Law, Vol. 8 McKinney, Section 40-c <u>Discrimination</u> "All persons within the jurisdiction of this state shall be entitled to the equal protection of the laws of this state or any subdivision thereof. No person shall, because of race, creed, color or national origin, be subjected to any discrimination in his civil rights by any other person or by any

firm, corporation or institution, or by the state or any agency or subdivision of the state." Excludes Sex; section 40 of the Civil Rights law includes educational institutions under places of public accommodation.

- 3. Human Rights Law, Executive Law, Vol. 18, McKinney, #290 "Equality of Opportunity a Civil Right.
- "1. The opportunity to obtain employment without discrimination because of race, creed, sex, color or national origin is hereby recognized as and declared to be a civil right.
- "2. The opportunity to obtain education, the use of places of public accommodation and the ownership, use and occupancy of housing accommodations and commercial space without discrimination because of race, creed, color or national origin as specified in section two hundred ninety-six of this article, is hereby recognized as and declared to be a civil right." Excludes Sex

Executive Law #296 was amended in 1973 to include sex in public accommodations and housing etc., but in that law places of education were emitted from places of public accommodation.

There is here a very clear but unstated policy of exclusion of sex as a forbidden designation in matters of education. Thought the employment section of the Human Rights law covers educational employment, it does not do so explicitly, and a careful perusal of the statistics on employment of women faculty in institutions of higher education in this state, and of Civil Rights case law in the state, will show that the law is not being enforced for faculty in higher education. Thus, all of these matters of both Civil rights and Education come under "color of statute, regulation, custom and usage," of the Fourteenth Amendment.

(3) whether that scheme (see Education Low discussion above) connotes government approval of the activity or whether the assistance is merely provided to all without such connotation.

The answer to that question can be found in the Rules, Chapter IV, Appeals and Other Proceedings Before the Conviscioner, statutory Authority, Education Law #311, Part 275. This is a detailed seption on administrative procedures in cases of a desire to appeal rulings by the Regents etc. It can also be used to register complaints against education officers, etc.

In matters covered by Civil Rights Laws, the Civil Rights Law itself, and the Human Rights Laws, the procedures are certainly not pro forms, the Division of Human Rights, like the Education Department has its own administrative procedures, and the enforcement of the Civil Rights law is handled through the court.

The conclusion is inescapable that the State's concern with both education and civil rights is an active one, energetically pursued.

- (4) the extent to which the organization serves a public function or acts as a surrogate for the State; This point has been covered thoroughly in the Plaintiff's Memorandum in Opposition to Defendants' Motion to Dismiss, see: page 16, and the general discussion above.
- (5) whether the organization has legitimate claims to recognition as a "private" organization in associational or other constitutional terms. The University most definitely has areas of private concern, but they are not under the rubric of education the purpose for which the institution exists, nor under civil rights, which is what this case is about.

A most useful legal opinion on this subject is from even v. Hofstra, mentioned above. This was the case of a 19-year-old student who threw a rock through the bookstore window at Hofstra during the disturbances of 1970.

"...private connotes ownership or possession by somebody. No private person owns Hofstra University or its property directly, nor even indirectly in the form of shares of stock. The uni-

versity is replete with public interest, requirement and supervision. The university is in the most real comparable sense a public trust for the rendition of education. It is only for this reason that so much public wealth and effort has been supplied to it.

"A private university like Hofstra is an oligarchical form tending to be self-perpetuating. Its fundamental legal responsibilities are to the public. Its existence and favored position can be justified only as a public stewardship.

*Hofstra operates under a franchise from the New York State Board of Regents. Under Educational Law #219, the Board of Regents can move to dissolve the university corporation if it ceases its educational functions. There would then follow a distribution of its net assets to such educational, religious, benevolent, charitable or similar purposes as the courts might approve, Educational Law #220."

If one asks the question: in what ways do public and private colleges and universities in the State of New York differ one from the other in matters of academic policy and discrimination, the ansguer is: there is no difference.

If one asks the question: in what ways do private colleges and universities in the State of New York differ from those in other states: the answer is: 40 feever important ways:

There are only four states in the nation which have state supervision of private education, New York, Connecticut, New Jersey and Oklahoma. However, unlike the other three, New York's supervisory body is 190 years old, the next oldest is Connecticut, which is 33 years old. The other two have been formed within the past ten years.

It is the only state that has a system of direct State grants to private colleges and universities?

It is the state with the largest system of direct state

tuition aid to students in private institutions of higher edu-

Of particular relevance to the instant case are the following points:

1. The Plaintiff has charged in her complaint that the man hired in her stead was an incompetent. The competence of faculty, as already shown, in institutions of higher education is clearly a matter of the greatest concern to the Board of Regents. Therefore this is not a private matter within the University, but is explicitly covered by state regulations having the force of law.

The following are the facts:

In paragraph 16 of the original complaint filed with this court the Plaintiff states:

"16. Thereafter, the afore-mentioned faculty position of Lecturer in the Department of Public Address was given to Mr. Anthony Cusmano, a male and first-year master's candidate in speech, with neither a B.A. nor a M.A. degree, but a degree from New York Law School, a school not recognized at that time by the American Association of Law Schools. Mr. Cusmano had not passed the New York Bar Examination nor had he had any previous teaching experience or academic work in the field of seecch."

Therefore, in the complaint we cover three of the four points mentioned in the Rules. On training, he had none; earned degrees, he had none from a recognized college or university; scholarship, is covered in the records made part of the sworn testimony in the Public Hearing of the New York State Division of Human Rights.

(See: Exhibits 9, 10, and 11 Transcript of public hearing, State Division of Human Rights, Case No. CS-21318-70, December 7, 1970)

The record shows that he had less than two years towards an undergraduate degree at Bethany College when he was admitted to Law School, and that his grades from Bethany were too low for him to be re-admitted to that school, or to be matriculated as a student at New York University where he took some hours as a non-matriculated undergraduate student. His LLB was not convertible to a JD because of this deficiency, and he was never able to pass the New York Bar Exam; Experience and classroom performance, he had no experience and his class room performance is not known, but his contract with Syracuse University was not renewed at the end of two years. Mr. Cusmano never attained either the M.A. in Speech which was the degree he initially sought, nor the degree in Higher Education Administration, the program he entered after he left the Department of Public Address.

- 2. On page 2 of Judge Foley's opinion in the Mortenson case he states: "the state must exert direct influence or control in the activity." Because in New York State the Board of Regents sets and enforces over-all educational policy at Syracuse University rather than the Trustees of the University, makes the State, in the most direct manner, the controlling agent of the activity in question, which is the selection of teachers.
- 3. The Plaintiff has charged in her complaint that she was discriminated against because of her sex. Discriminatory behavior is the activity complained of, and the State of New York has covered discriminatory activity in educational institutions in three sets of laws. Therefore, the State's explicit and statutory indifference to the educational rights of women was clearly the cause of the discriminatory behavior complained of.

There are two inescapable conclusions to be drawn from the above material, one is that the reason for being of private universities in the State of New York, ie. education, is totally controlled by the State Government, and there can be no question of that fact. The second conclusion is that civil rights in

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educational institutions is also controlled by the State, and those laws have all but explicitly excluded sex from forbidden designations in matters of education. Therefore, it is apparent that the State of New York maintains a lively, knowledgeable and direct concern in matters both of Education and of Civil Rights in Education, and it is with the statutory approval of the State of New York that Syracuse University has and continues to discriminate against women in all facets of University life. Also the State Courts of New York have upheld the State indifference to the employment of women faculty in higher education.

On page 8 of the Defendants' Supplemental Memorandum in Support of Motion to Dismiss, Defendants state: "... More importantly however, plaintiff is incorrect in her attempt to equate racial and sexual discrimination."

In the Federal Civil Rights laws, the designation of sex is included along with all the others, there is no rank ordering, giving race a higher priority than sex, or sex a higher priority than national origin or religion. All are stated equally. If one were to follow through on the logic of the Defendants' arguments, it could be said that since black or Spanish surnamed women are covered under other designations that there is a clear intent to make discrimination against white, Anglo-Saxon, protestant females permissable. From the legislative history of the 1972 Amendment to Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, it is abundantly clear that such was not the intention of Congress "This Committee (House Committee on Education and Labor) believes that women's rights are not judicial divertissements. Discrimination against women is no less serious than other forms of prohibited employment practices and is to be accorded the same degree of social concern given to any type of unlawful discrimination ... the Committee feels that discrimination in edu-



cational institutions is especially critical. The Committee can not imagine a more sensitive area than educational institutions where the Mation's youth are exposed to a multitude of ideas that will strongly influence their future development. To permit discrimination here would, more than in any other area, tend to promote misconceptions leading to future patterns of discrimination.' (Legislative History of Amendment [P.L. 92-264] to Title VII, p 2154)

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FOR HERSELF

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 220 day of Tay, 1974

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